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MORE TOKYO INTENTION DISCLOSURES IN DIET

Declaration Of War Possible In Near Future

CANTON COUP NIPPED IN BUD--

SAY RUMOURS

Canton, 2 p.m. To-day.
While it would be premature to suggest that the Canton tension is over, the general atmosphere this afternoon was much calmer, as hours passed without serious incident.

Trustworthy sources hint that fears regarding the activities of suspected pro-Japanese traitors were the primary cause of military vigilance, although most of the troops patrolling the streets could be described more correctly as gendarmes, their presence being connected also with certain difficulties experienced in the collection of monopoly revenues.

COUP RUMOURS

Rumours, believed to be not entirely without substance, hinted a threatened attempt at a coup d'etat by elements prepared to establish a pro-Japanese puppet administration in Kwangtung, but if such intention existed, the measures taken nipped the plot in the bud.

The military vigilance showed clearly that something out of the ordinary was afoot, and rumour therefore had full opportunity. One source stated that a big Japanese air demonstration over Canton this morning was timed to coincide with an anti-Chiang coup.—Our Own Correspondent.

AERIAL DEMONSTRATION

Canton, To-day.
After a night of tension due to the action of the military authorities in halting river shipping, the populace this morning witnessed the most spirited aerial activity for several weeks.

Shameen roof tops and windows were crowded with foreign spectators who watched one group after another of Japanese planes cross the sky, with anti-aircraft shells bursting on all sides.

On one occasion a biplane daringly swooped to within a few hundred feet of the ground, miraculously escaping very intensive shell fire.

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Scheme Worked Out For Dealing With Bigger "Incident"

Tokyo, To-day.

A declaration of war against China is possible in the future, the Premier, Prince Konoye, informed the House of Representatives last night in reply to an interpellation.

All negotiations following termination of the present Incident would be conducted with the new regime expected to be in power in China then.

The Foreign Minister asserted that the four-point peace terms presented to, and rejected, by General Chiang Kai-shek, were "essential for improving Sino-Japanese relations and preventing recurrence of an unfortunate Incident like the present one."

FOREIGN NEWSPAPER BOMB ATTACK

Shanghai, To-day.

A hand grenade was thrown into the premises of the American-owned "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury" at 5.30 this morning by Chinese wearing a long gown.

The missile exploded in the hallway outside the offices of Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, Mr. Randall Gould (the American editor) and the United Press, smashing all windows in the building and breaking part of the wall.

Mr. Woodhead and Mr. Gould were absent at the time but the United States offices were occupied by the night editor and two others.

The only other person on the premises, a Chinese coolie, had a remarkable escape. Although the chair on which he was sleeping in the hallway was wrecked, he was unscathed.

The assailant made good his escape.—Reuter.

Details of the terms might change according to the regime in China with which Japan would deal.

Replying to a question whether importation of important goods would possibly be upset if an Incident "bigger than the present one" occurred, the Minister of Commerce and Industry replied that a co-ordinated programme for development of the important natural resources of Japan, Manchukuo and China is being formulated.—Reuter.

British Pressure For Peace

Tokyo, To-day.

Under streamer headlines the "Yomiuri Shimbun" features a report that the British Government is reliably learned to be informally trying to ascertain, through the Japanese Ambassador in London, Japanese intentions towards China.

Britain is also stated to have expressed hopes of a speedy settlement and to have offered "unstinted co-operation" to that end.

The paper expresses the opinion that Britain, in conjunction with the United States, is applying pressure to force a speedy settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict.

"Japan is keeping a wary eye on the attitude of Britain and the United States," the paper says.—Reuter.

DRIZZLE AND FOG

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone continues to decrease in intensity and is extending eastward over Japan. Pressure is highest over South Manchuria.

Forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally, probably some drizzle, mist or fog.

Defence Holds Upper Hand In Singapore War Games

London, To-day.

The defence so far has held the upper hand in the large-scale manoeuvres at Singapore, according to reports from the Singapore correspondents of various London newspapers.

The reports declare that the war games have already proved beyond doubt that the fortifications and defence measures at Singapore are as perfect as can be desired.

Torpedo-bombers of the defence forces have already proved their effectiveness, and have "sunk" several "enemy" warships which had approached near the island.

None of the "enemy" planes from H.M.S. Eagle could have reached the land, according to the umpires' decisions.

Attempts were made yesterday to land troops, but it seems that once again the defence has come off best.

Planes have played the most important part in the defence, while submarines have also proved most useful.—Trans-Ocean.

A Brilliant Function

St. John's Ambulance Ball Incentive For Social Gathering

(By URSULA JEFFRIES)

Social Hongkong put on its best bib and tucker on Wednesday night and attended the St. John's Ambulance Ball en masse. The "Gripps", where this brilliant function was held, was literally jammed to the gates. Cars of all types and sizes lined one end of Pedder Street to the other, while upstairs in the ballroom people were pressed together, like caviar, their babble of voices rising above the crescendo of Art Carneiro's dance music.

Governor Patron

Between ourselves, the men, especially those in the services, rather out-dazzled the ladies for colour in their various mess undress uniforms. Wherever one looked they caught the eye and held it fascinated by the bright red jackets, gold braid and rows of imposing medals. But that does not mean that they out-dressed the ladies. Oh no! the fashionably gowned were well represented among the female contingent, only, on the whole, they affected more sombre tones.

Honours go to the official table, presided over by His Excellency, The Governor Sir Geoffrey Northcote in his capacity as President of the St. John's Ambulance Association and patron of the ball. Here sat, (to select but a few), Mrs. Dicken, wife of Commodore Dicken, looking very smart in a low-cut gown of dark green, with gathered bodice front and the largest drop earrings I have ever seen. Mrs. Smith, wife of the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, wore a dull-toned purple taffeta, off-set with a corsage of pale mauve orchids perched jauntily on her left shoulder. Looking very regal in black lace was Mrs. Bartholomew, wife of H.E. Major General A. W. Bartholomew, while Mrs. Gerrard, wife of Professor W. T. Gerrard, looked chic in black chiffon velvet with a corsage of red roses adding the only splash of colour to an otherwise severe gown. The other ladies—for there are always women spoken of after parties as having stood out among the rest—were Lady MacGregor, wife of Sir Athol MacGregor, Mrs. Dalziel, wife of Wing Commander Dalziel, Madame Sun Fo, Mrs. Arthur Woo, Mrs. A. Morris, Mrs. R. Langley and Miss Benoy.

The Younger Set

On the dance floor I caught brief glimpses of other fascinating gowns as their wearers swirled and whirled in and out of the dizzy maze of swaying dancers.

The sound of swishing taffeta was heard a good deal, and the billowy softness of net was observed on at least four ladies. One particularly youthful and pretty frock was of white net, studded with sequins which sparkled and winked like little stars as the light caught them. And speaking of sequins—I counted at least seven gowns which sparkled, gleamed, glittered and shone with them. They were worn either *en bloc* or in tantalising splashes to illuminate dark gowns. One black and perfectly severe decollete gown had a little cape of net on which was stitched regiments of gold sequins travelling in single file from the neck to the hem.

Outstanding among the dresses worn by the younger set was that gracing the slender figure of Miss H. Gerrard. Of white metal cloth shot with silver, it was perfectly sheath-like with all the interest centred on the very new brassiere-fitted bodice which is the rage this season. The Fair sisters, Betty and Beryl, were also observed flitting to and fro among the dancers, and one wore a perfectly charming blue crinkly crepe, with a cleverly and

TWO PURPOSE FROCK



Here's a dress simply enough for office wear and smart enough for afternoon tea. Of black crepe, it features a novel white tuck-in front, which can be removed at will. A good idea would be to have one in white satin, and another in silver lame for very special occasions.

intricately shirred bodice. A giant diamante buckle and wide stitched belt completed the picture.

Interesting Variations

Worthy of note, too, were the Chinese women present, some of whom introduced a striking and interesting note of variation into the scheme of things with novel ideas in dress. I noticed two particularly stunning gowns that were somewhat out of the ordinary run of Chinese dress. One, for instance, had a three-quarter-length jacket over a slim fitting skirt. The whole was carried out in pink satin and the jacket was Chinese, but the skirt distinctly western. Cascading at a provocative angle down the back and front of the jacket were sprays of pastel pink flowers embroidered in silk. The whole was very striking. The second, while conforming to the usual style of Chinese dress, had long-tailed birds embroidered in sequins down the whole length of the front and back. The lady who wore it, added greatly to its beauty, incidentally.

Madame Sun Fo, by the way, wore a redingote type of jacket, three-quarter-length and flaring at the back, over her rich looking gown of black chiffon velvet. Made of brocade, the jacket had a black ground, with gold and silver thread patterning a grape leaf design. The edges were piped with gold brocade. I thought it went very well with her simple Chinese cut gown.

Yes, indeed! Not since New Year's Eve has Hong Kong seen such a brilliant gathering of the great and near great, and if you don't believe me, take a look at some of the names I haven't already mentioned:

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. N. T. Smith, Hon. Dr. and Mrs. Li Shui Fan, Sir Athol MacGregor, Vice-Admiral L. G. E. Crabbe, Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Wing Comdr. Dazielle, Mr. Fung Kong Un, Captain S. H. Batty Smith, Professor W. T. Gerrard, Mr. David Yu, Mr. Fung Pin Fan, Dr. Arthur Woo, Col. and Mrs. H. H. Blake, Surgeon-Captain and Mrs. G. D. G. Fergusson, Mr. Tang Shui Kui, Captain Peter Howarth, Major Benoy, Flag-Lieutenant P. J. Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Turner, Mr. D. J. Sloss, Mr. H. H. Bedow, Mrs. G. F. Hole, and hosts of others.

SNAPPING OUT OF HUMDRUM

Snap, those humble hole-and-knob closings with we have sewn secretly upon our garments, are snapping out of their humdrum existence and entering society. Attired in ornamental metals, this mechanism is now seen, keeping up with the zippers, and coursing down the front of smart wool frocks, from neckline to hem, at once a closing and a trimming.

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In my first article I taught you the Rhythm of the Swing Step. Now for the Steps of the Swing Step.

THE NATURAL OR RIGHT TURN

Start facing Line of Dance (anti-clockwise round the room.)

1. Step forward with the Right foot turning to the Right.
Count Slow, one and a half beats.
2. Step to the side with the Left foot, still turning and opening partner to Promenade Position.
Count Quick, half a beat.
3. Cross Right foot over the Left foot loosely, putting your weight on it, and relaxing both knees.
Count Slow, 2 beats.
- On these three steps turn a little over half a turn.
4. Back Left foot turning slightly to the Right.
Count Slow, 1½ beats.
5. Step back on Right foot bringing partner slightly to your right side.
Count Quick, half a beat.
6. Cross Left foot over Right foot as your partner steps forward outside you on your right side.
Count Slow, 2 beats.

Swivel a little on this step to the right as you go into the following movement which is the —

FORWARD MOVEMENT

1. As the Left foot swivels at the end of the preceding movement, step forward with the Right foot in front of your partner.
Count Slow, one and a ½ beats.
2. Take a short step to the side with the Left foot opening your partner out to Promenade Position.
Count Quick, ½ a beat.
3. Cross Right foot loosely over Left foot in Promenade Position putting your weight on it, and relax both knees.
Count Slow, 2 beats.

You should now be facing your Line of Dance, and ready for the—
REVERSE TURN, or LEFT TURN

1. Step forward with the Left foot turning to the Left.
Count Slow, 1½ beats.
2. Step to the side with the Right foot still turning to the Left.
Count Quick, ½ a beat.
3. Cross the Left foot loosely over the Right foot completing a half turn. Relax both knees. On three your partner closes her feet. Partner is now slightly on your Right side.
Count Slow, 2 beats.
4. Back Right foot turning to Left.
Count Slow, 1½ beats.
5. Side Left foot still turning.
Count Quick, ½ a beat.
6. Close the Right foot to the Left foot bringing your weight on to it, and relaxing both knees. Your partner comes slightly to your left side and crosses her Left foot loosely over her Right foot.
Count Slow, 2 beats.

Turn a quarter of a turn on these three steps making three quarters of a turn on the whole figure. You should now be facing the wall. Now do the —

CORTE WALK

Turn slightly on the first and second steps of this figure when using it after the Reverse Turn, so as to bring yourself backing along your line of Dance. Then repeat it without turning going straight back along the Line of Dance.

1. Take a very short step back with the Left foot taking the Left toe only an inch or two behind the Right heel.
Count Slow, 2 beats.
 2. Take an even shorter step back with the Right foot, the Right toe now being level with the left heel.
Count Slow, 1½ beats.
 3. Close the Left foot to the Right foot.
Count Quick, ½ a beat.
 4. Slip the Right foot forward so that the Right heel fits into the arch of the Left foot. Put your weight on it and relax both knees.
Count Slow, 2 beats.
- This little step has a fascination all its own and looks very smart, so soften down into it and let your body swing slightly throughout it.

When practising these steps don't get lost in the middle of the room. Always start properly on your Line of Dance.

The Natural Pivot Turn follows quite nicely now.

You are still backing along your Line of Dance.

1. Take a short step back with the Left foot. Get your weight well on to it and pivot round to the Right.
Count Slow, 2 beats.
2. Forward Right foot turning to face Line of Dance.
Count Slow, 1½ beats.
3. Side on the Left foot still turning a little and opening to Promenade Position.
Count Quick, half a beat.
4. Cross Right foot loosely over the Left foot in Promenade Position. Put your weight on it and relax both knees.
Count Slow, 2 beats.

THE TRUCKIN' WALK

This is taken in Promenade Position right through and can be repeated as often as you wish.

1. Small step on Left foot along Line of Dance opening to Promenade Position, knee slightly bent, toe turned in and the weight on the heel. You may now face outwards a little so that your partner and yourself are almost side by side, your Right Hip against her Left hip. This first movement is counted Quick but takes one whole beat of music as opposed to the other Quicks in Swing which all take half a beat each.
Count Quick, one whole beat.
2. Still on the Left foot straighten the knee sharply, at the same time flicking the toe out to the Left. (This is why we turned it in in the first place).
Count Quick, 1 beat.
3. Step through with the Right foot, knee bent and weight on Heel, Toe turned in.
Count Quick, 1 beat.
4. Straighten Right knee sharply and flick out the Right toe to the Right.
Count Quick, 1 beat.

Repeat this as often as you like. You may if you wish, even release your partner's right hand for this movement.

To get out of the Truckin' Walk—turn slightly to the Right on the last step on the Right foot, bringing your partner back in front of you, so that you are now nearly backing along line of Dance. Then step back on the Left foot, counting it Slow and making it the first step of the Corte Walk.

If you are in any doubt on any point write to me c/o the Editor of this Journal, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

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Short-Notice Delicacies for Tea

Recipes for "short-notice" delicacies are well worth knowing, for there is nothing more annoying for the housewife than to be faced with unexpected guests and nothing so helpful as a few recipes for tea in the larder.

Scones fill the breach admirably. The dough for baking scones should be soft, and should be handled and kneaded lightly. When rubbing fat into the flour mixture, the flour should be sifted and allowed to trickle through the fingers. This allows the air to get in and makes the scones lighter.

The oven must be really hot and the tin in which the scones are set should be sprinkled lightly with flour. Buttermilk is preferable for some scones, and in summer-time sour milk can be utilised. Always place new-made scones between the folds of a clean napkin.

Here are some "quick-time" recipes:

Canadian Drop Scones

Ingredients.—½ cupful flour 1½

Method.—Sift flour, crumbs, salt and baking powder together. Pour over milk. Stand till crumbs have absorbed moisture. Add washed currants, which you have heated in the oven till plump. Stir in butter. Bake in spoonfuls on a hot, greased girdle, turning only once. Serve with butter.

Flannel Cakes

Ingredients.—¼ lb. flour, ½ oz. sugar, ¼ oz. baking powder, ¼ teaspoon salt, 2 eggs.

Method.—Sift flour and baking powder into a basin, make a hollow in centre, crack in eggs, add sugar and salt. Beat thoroughly with a whisk till batter is smooth and light, adding milk if necessary. Now lightly butter the bottom of a large frying-pan and as soon as pan is thoroughly hot, pour in bat-

ter in tablespoonfuls, letting batter fall in as round shapes as possible. Cook till bubbles fall on top, then turn and cook on other side. Pile up in a hot dish covered with a napkin and keep hot till all are ready, buttering the pan between each batch. Serve with butter and golden syrup.

Prairie Pocket Books

Ingredients.—1 quart flour, 2 eggs, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 table-spoons baking powder, 1½ cupfuls milk, 1 tablespoon butter.

Method.—Sift baking powder, salt and flour. Rub in butter. Beat the eggs, add milk, and stir this gradually into the flour. The dough must be moist, not wet. Roll it out into a sheet ½-in. thick. Cut with a large round cutter about 4 ins. in diameter. Fold one half of the biscuit over other. Stand in greased pan. Brush tops of rolls with milk, and bake in quick oven ½ hour. Served with butter if desired.

SAFE DIET FOR GASTRIC ULCERS

Great care is needed in the feeding of sufferers from gastric and duodenal ulcers and inflammation of the stomach. The wrong kind of food will increase the pain and discomfort. In the early stages of treatment small quantities of liquid food must be taken at frequent intervals.

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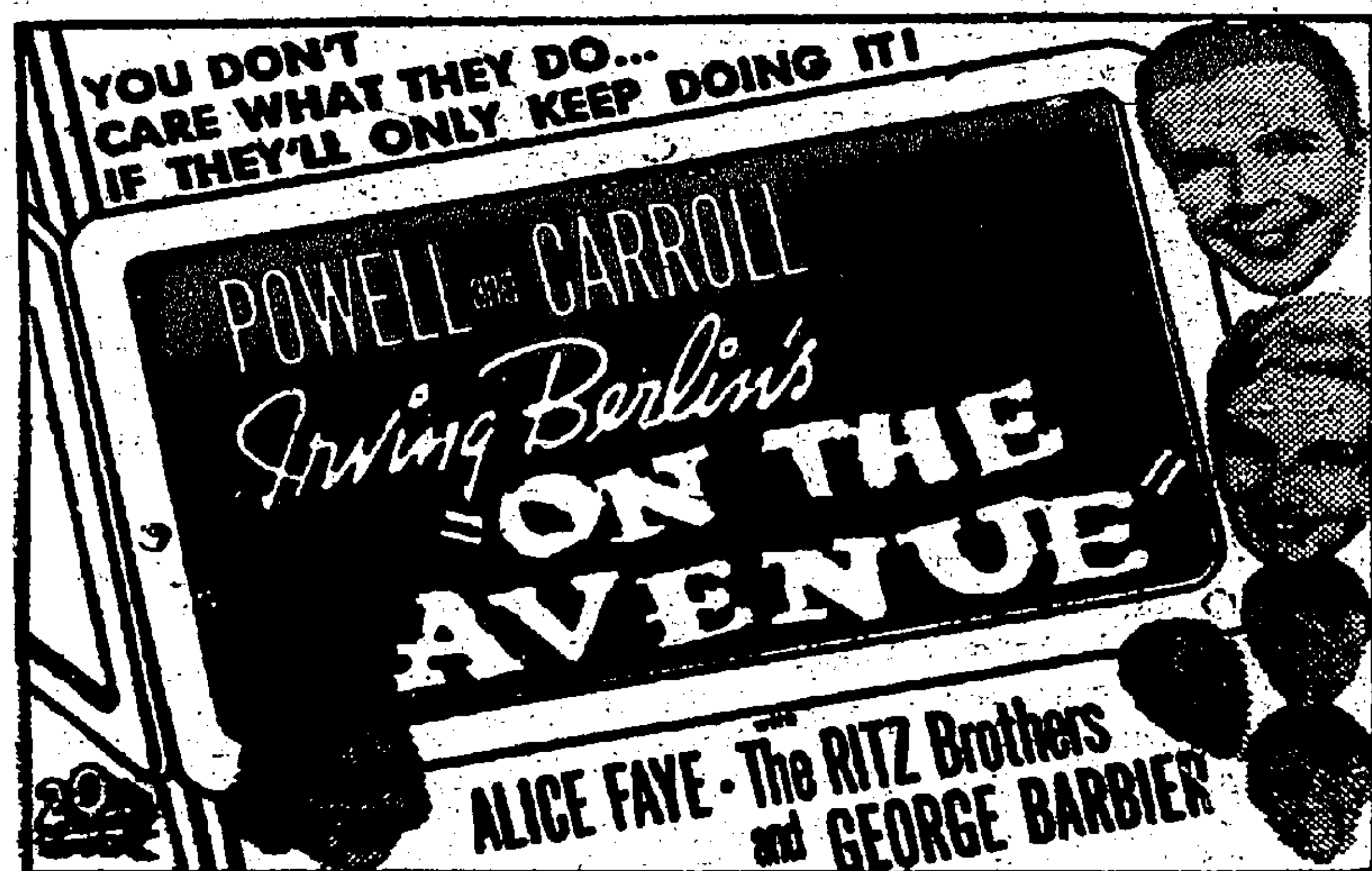
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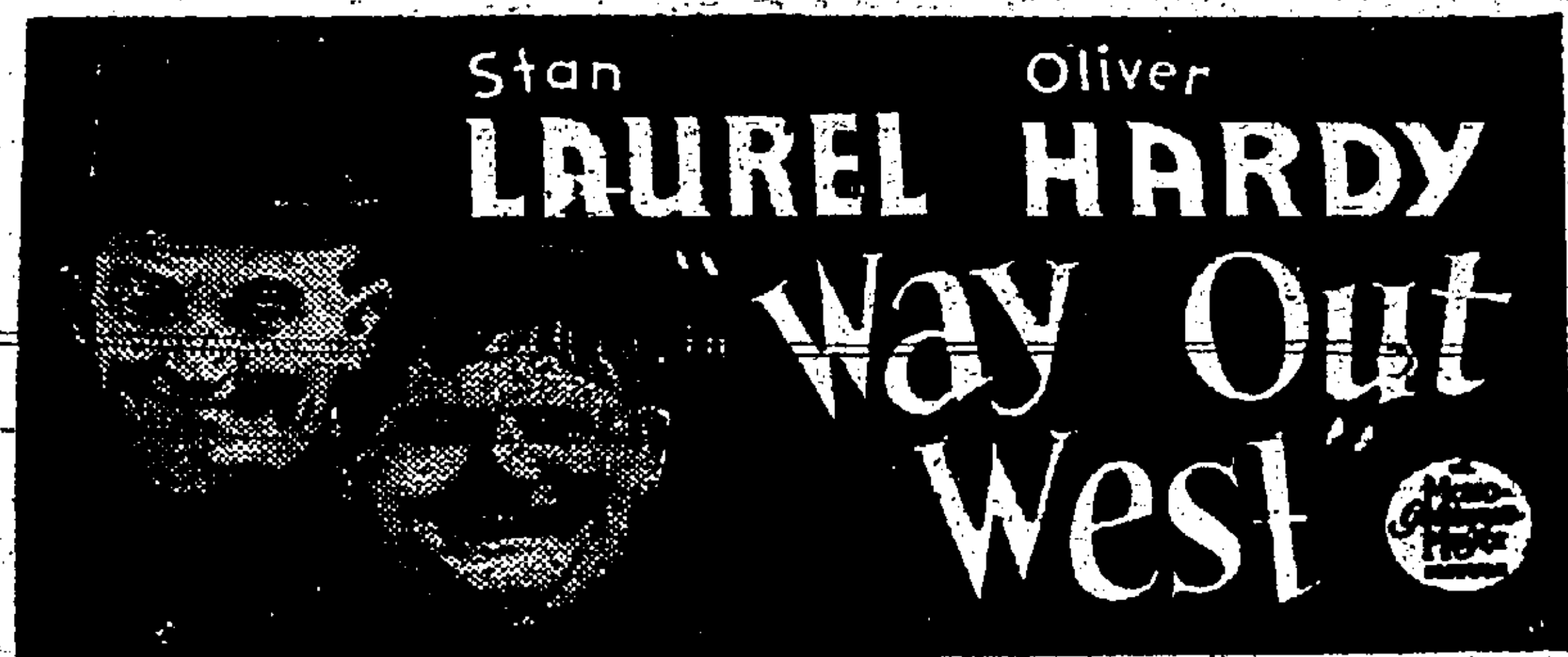
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RUSSIAN SERIOUSLY HURT

A Russian, A. W. Munger, of Room 319, Gloucester Hotel, is lying seriously injured in the Queen Mary Hospital as result of an accident on the Repulse Bay Road.

Mr. Munger was driving motor cycle no. 1122 at 2.45 yesterday afternoon when he came into collision with a car driven by Yung Wing on a bend just above the Castle.

Mr. Munger's left leg was broken in several places, but a passenger, Mr. Paul B. Zatz, who was riding pillion, escaped without injury.

The motor cycle was almost a total wreck, while the car suffered some damage to the mudguard and the headlamps.

DISMAY CAUSED BY SPANISH AIR RAIDS

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary referred to the initiative of the British Government on the matter of indiscriminate bombing in Spain in answering a Commons question, and said he would prefer to await the result of the approach to the two sides in Spain before making any further statement.

Meanwhile, reports from Brussels and Paris indicate how fully public opinion on the Continent shares the dismay aroused by the recent accounts of the air raids in Spain and desire to see an end put to the terrorisation of the civilian populations behind either side of the Spanish fronts.

An unconfirmed report from Barcelona states that the Spanish Government has decided to suspend bombing behind the insurgent front pending the result of British initiative.—British Wireless.

NEW SHIPS FOR NORTH CHINA RUN

Tokyo, To-day.

Five additional ships will be placed by the Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, on the Japan-North China run before the end of the month, it is announced here.

Three ships, of a displacement ranging between 4,000 to 5,000 tons, will link Japan with Tsingtao, while two other vessels will join the fleet of three steamers already plying between Japan and Tientsin.—Reuter.

LONDON AIR RAID EXERCISES

London, To-day.

The Home Secretary hopes shortly to be in a position to confer with local authorities in London with a view to a concerted arrangement for air raid exercises in the metropolitan area but he has not decided exactly what form the exercises should take.—British Wireless.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Quarantine Officer-in-Charge, Amoy, against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of Small-pox.

HIGH TENSION REPORTED ON SOVIET BORDER

Warsaw, To-day.

Informed quarters here believe that the situation in the Far East is rapidly becoming more tense.

According to despatches here the task of fortifying the Soviet's Far Eastern frontiers and rearming of the Soviet forces is proceeding with feverish activity.

A sum of 1,000,000,000 roubles is said to have been appropriated by the War Commissar, Marshal Voroshilov, for the construction of airports along the frontier between the Soviet Union and Manchuria.

It further transpires that the War Commissar has given orders for the construction of six military airships.

A new department has been added to the War Commissariat for the purpose of combatting espionage jointly with the O.G.P.U. — Trans-Ocean.

MR. HIROTA'S STATEMENT ON S'HAU CUSTOMS

Tokyo, To-day.

Negotiations for Japanese control of the Shanghai Customs have reached a deadlock, according to a statement by the Foreign Minister in the Lower House yesterday.

Mr. Hirota added; "However, the Japanese authorities are pursuing a policy of keeping vigilant watch on Customs revenues, and therefore these are being placed in the Yokohama Specie Bank for safe keeping."

Asked if Customs revenues would be appropriated towards funds set aside for rehabilitation of the Shanghai area, Mr. Hirota replied he did not think revenue would be used for such purposes "in as much as military operations are still in progress, and revenue accordingly has considerably decreased."

He added that Japan had no intention of taking over the Customs but would adhere strictly to surveillance of revenues.

These, however, owing to decline, he considered insufficient for covering expenditure on rehabilitation of war damaged areas.—Reuter.

SPANISH EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS

London, To-day.

Negotiations in which British representatives in Spain have co-operated with the representatives of the International Red Cross to secure an agreement between the two sides in the civil war for an exchange of prisoners are making satisfactory progress, according to news reaching London and the hope is entertained in official circles here that before very long exchanges on a relatively large scale will be organised.—British Wireless.

Herr Hitler May Take Over Post of Field Marshal Von Blomberg

Berlin, To-day.

A solution of the crisis caused by the marriage of Field-Marshal Werner von Blomberg, the Defence Minister, is now being considered by Herr Hitler, whose decision is expected to be announced in the next few days.

High official quarters express complete ignorance of the nature of the decision Herr Hitler is likely to make.

It is regarded as possible that Herr Hitler himself may take over the position vacated by Field-Marshal von Blomberg, or a solution may be delayed for a few months in order to enable General Hermann Goering, the Air Minister, to take over the position himself.

POLITICAL LEADERSHIP

Many quarters believe that General von Fritsch, the commander-in-chief, may retire, if only because his superior (Field-Marshal von Blomberg), with whom he was involved in a difference, will also be going, but this is by no means certain.

It is believed that the new arrangement the Fuehrer is contemplating consists of political leadership of the three defence forces, with technical chiefs representing

the army, navy and air force immediately under him.

PERSONAL CRISIS

It is emphasised here that the whole crisis is essentially of a personal nature, and the suggestion that there is anything of a political character, particularly of a general nature against the Nazi regime, is strongly repudiated.

It is regarded as certain that Field-Marshal von Blomberg's leave will be prolonged until he reaches the retiring age, and he will be allowed to retain the title of Field-Marshal for life.—Reuter.

EXCITEMENT ON BOARD KINSHAN

During a fight aboard the s.s. Kinshan yesterday evening during the trip from Macao, a fish-tub supercargo was knocked overboard in a brawl with one of his colleagues.

An alarm was sounded and the ship turned round, causing a temporary panic among many of the passengers aboard who were unaware of the cause of the alarm and apparently imagined that the ship was being challenged by a Japanese warship.

Quiet was soon restored, however, and the man picked out of the water.

BRITAIN LODGES PROTEST ON PEIPING TARIFF

London, To-day.

Questioned further in the Commons on the so-called new Peiping tariff, the Foreign Secretary recalled that the British Ambassador at Tokyo had been instructed to protest to the Japanese Government on the ground that the measure is contrary to the treaty provision for a uniform tariff for all China and is prejudicial to the integrity of the Customs Administration.

He added that full particulars of the new tariff had not yet been received and it is not clear to what extent it would adversely affect British trade. This aspect of the matter would be carefully examined. —British Wireless.

EUROPEAN'S CAR OVERTURNS IN GARDEN ROAD

Temporarily blinded by the headlights of a taxi, Mr. H. H. Beddow, of Seymour Terrace, was early this morning, fortunate to escape without serious injury, when his car overturned.

Mr. Beddow, was driving his car up Garden Road at a moderate speed at 1.30 a.m. When approaching the Helena May Institute, he was dazzled by the headlights of an approaching taxi. He pulled too close to the side of the road and struck a tree.

This caused the car to overturn but neither Mr. Beddow, who escaped with minor scratches, or the car, sustained any great damage.

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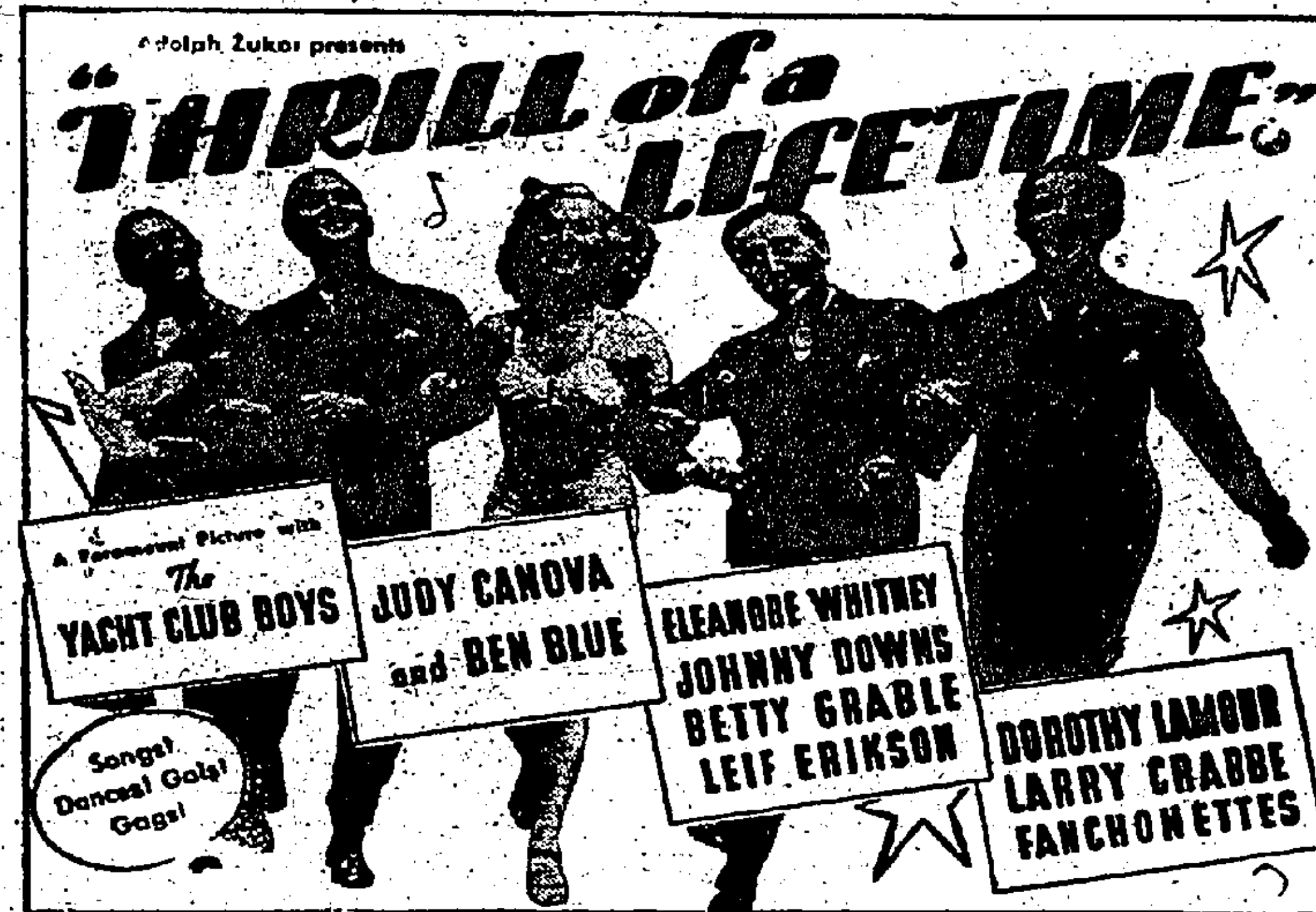
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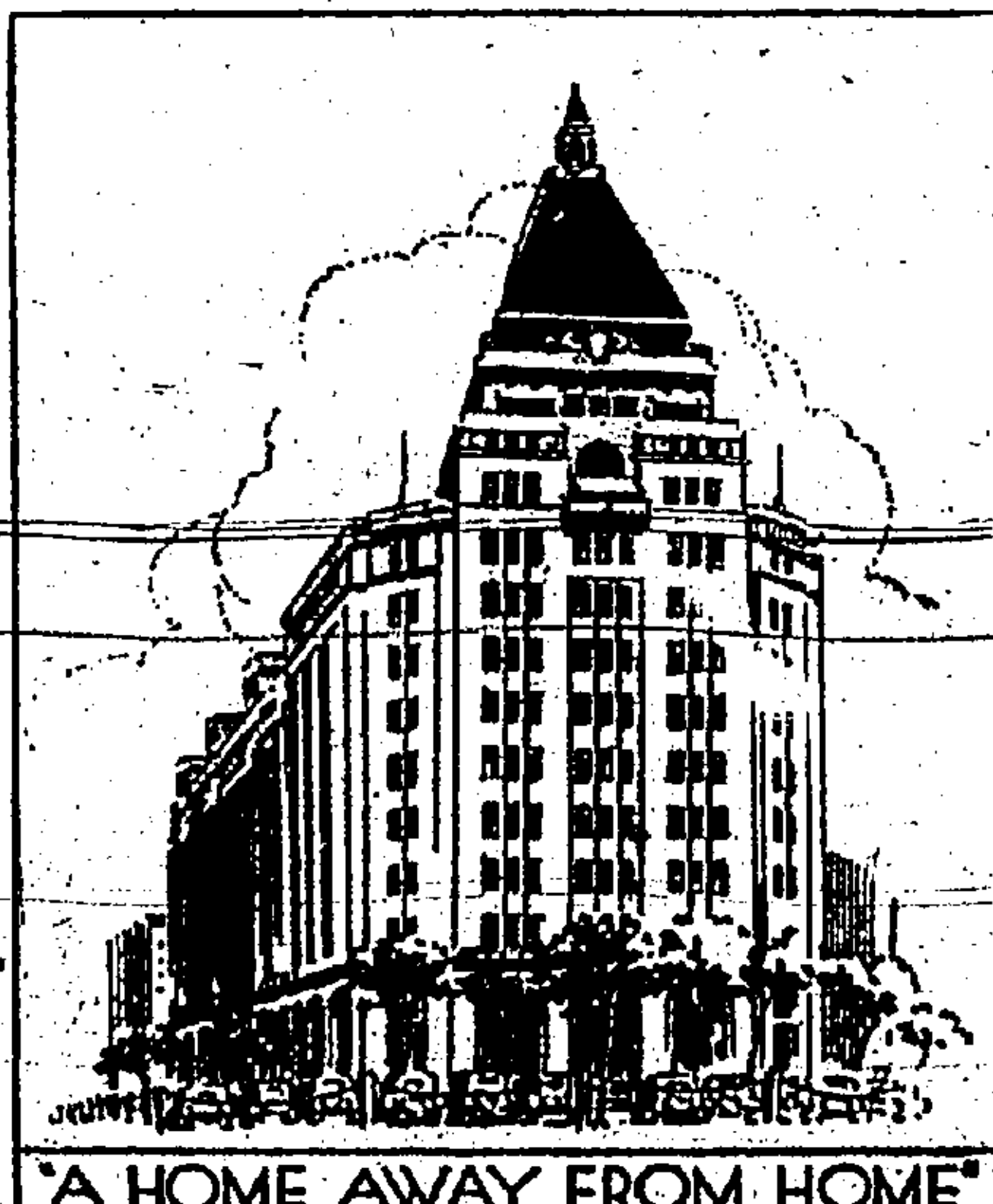
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RAILWAY RUNAWAY REPORT

Canton, To-day.

It is reported here that a train carrying ammunition from Hong Kong was involved in an exciting incident which carried the menace of a serious disaster on Wednesday evening.

The report states that the train left Kowloon at 5.30 p.m. and had reached a point about ten miles inside Chinese territory when it was attacked by Japanese planes.

The guard uncoupled the coaches alleged to be carrying arms and ammunition, whereupon they began to run down the incline towards Shumchun, gathering speed as they moved out of control.

Warning was given—the following night express was stopped at Fanling—and sandbags were placed across the line near Shumchun to bring the coaches to a halt. The barrier was effective as the gradient had disappeared and the coaches were already losing momentum. — Our Own Correspondent.

Major Walker, general manager of the British Section, told the "China Mail" this morning that he had no knowledge of the incident.

MANCHUKUO IMMIGRATION PROGRAMME

Tokyo, To-day.

"An emigration plan aiming at settling 1,000,000 Japanese families in Manchukuo within twenty years, has been under way since last year," said the Minister for Overseas Affairs at the plenary session of the House of Representatives yesterday.

Attaching the greatest importance to the emigration problem, the Minister said he regarded it as the most effective way of dealing with the overpopulation of Japan and at the same time tightening the inseparable relations between Japan and Manchukuo. — Reuter.

JAPANESE AIR SERVICE TO NORTH CHINA

Peiping, To-day.

The recently announced air service between Japan and North China is starting on Wednesday, and a two way service is being maintained three times a week.

The planes will leave Fukuoka on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays and will leave Peiping on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The route includes Tsingtao and Tientsin, and arrangements are being handled at the Japanese end by the Japanese Air Transport Company and in Peiping by the Huitung Kingan, a Japanese sponsored Chinese concern. — Reuter.

Lam Tam-sang, aged 28, a house boy, employed at No. 183, The Peak has reported the loss of clothing to the value of \$79 from the servants' quarters.

NEW ROAD LINK WITH RUSSIA

Hankow, To-day.

Further to facilitate overland communications with the outside world, the Central Government's plan for construction of a new road linking Chungking with Sinkiang is being vigorously pushed forward.

Aside from providing an impetus to the development of western China, the new road will provide a direct route between China and Russia. — Reuter.

SUBMERGED SUBMARINES MAY BE ATTACKED ON DETECTION

Paris, To-day.

The French Government last night expressed its readiness to give orders to its warships on patrol duty in the Mediterranean to attack, and, if possible, to destroy all submarines found submerged outside Spanish territorial waters on maritime routes west of the meridian running through a point 25 miles east of Marseilles.

This is according to a Foreign Office communique which indicates that the British Admiralty is acting similarly. — Reuter.

SOVIET POLAR SCIENTISTS SAFE

Moscow, To-day.

A radio message received at 2.17 this morning from the Papinin North Pole expedition states that the party are all well, while the situation on the drifting ice flee has improved.

Six hundred workers have been assigned to the work of completing repairs to the ice breaker "Ermak" at Murmansk.

The men are working day and night to prepare the ship for an early start on a rescue attempt. — Reuter.

WITHDRAWAL OF VOLUNTEERS

London, To-day.

The non-intervention committee met yesterday afternoon to discuss the financial aspects of withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain.

An official communique states that the committee discussed the withdrawal plan, and has completed the preliminaries.

The plan has been communicated to the governments of the powers concerned. — Trans-Ocean.

Walking down the path leading to her residence at Stanley Terrace, Mrs. J. H. Fidoe had her handbag snatched by a Chinese who came up from behind. The hand bag contained money and jewellery to the value of \$197.

Motor car No. 4797, belonging to Mr. K. T. Lau, has been missing from the Jordan Road car park since yesterday afternoon.

JAPANESE GIVE WARNING OF EXTENSION OF BLOCKADE

To Include All Chinese Ships Bearing Foreign Flags

ADMIRAL NODA ON GENERAL NAVAL POLICY

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese blockade along the south coast of China is now to include all Chinese ships and junks bearing foreign flags, declared Admiral Noda, speaking for the Admiralty, yesterday. These measures were necessary, he said, in order to determine the true nationality of the ships in question.

The Japanese navy would continue to ascertain the nationality of ships, and will then inform the government of the country whose flag is evidently being misused.

Up to the present, he said, Chinese ships had been intercepted flying the flags of Italy, Norway, Greece, Germany and England.

Except for these measures the blockade will not be intensified "for the time being."

Admiral Noda denied reports that the German, Italian and Japanese navies were to be "combined into one single unit."

Asked whether Japan intended to strengthen her navy in view of the proposed increase in naval strength by the U.S.A. and Britain, Admiral Noda declared that the Sino-Japanese conflict was no excuse for other nations rearming.

FOLLOW DEVELOPMENT

Japan would follow development in other countries, and if she felt that her national defence was being in any way jeopardised, or that strong military and naval bases are being established in the Far East, she will naturally be compelled to regard these as threats to her security, and will take the appropriate counter-measures.

He concluded by saying that for the time being Japan was strong enough to await future developments.—Reuter.

STATE CONTROL OF ALL SHIPPING IN U.S.

Washington, To-day.

The Federal Government may, within a reasonably short time, be forced to own and operate the entire merchant fleet of the United States, declared Mr. Joseph Kennedy, recently appointed Ambassador to Britain, yesterday.

Mr. Kennedy also suggested the possibility of railway ownership.

He said that within a decade the United States must have 500 new merchantmen for the purpose of national defence as naval auxiliaries.

Cost of these new ships would be \$1,250,000,000.—Reuter.

CRUISERS IN HUNT FOR MISSING SHIP

Barcelona, To-day.

It is rumoured that a British freighter loaded with oranges has been seized off Valencia by an insurgent warship.

The cruisers H.M.S. Southampton and H.M.S. Newcastle are stated to be proceeding to the spot at full speed.

The rumour has not been corroborated, and the British consul at Valencia says he has no knowledge of any British merchantman being intercepted in the Mediterranean since sinking of the "Endymion."

He also stated that he was on board the cruiser H.M.S. Newcastle in the afternoon.—Reuter.

JAPANESE TO PAY COMPENSATION

London, To-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden announced in the House of Commons on Wednesday that the Japanese Government had consented to pay a compensation of £1,500 for the deaths of British soldiers killed in the Shanghai defence sector.

A payment of £920 would be made for naval casualties.—Reuter.

SIR NEVILE HENDERSON VISITS FOREIGN OFFICE

London, To-day.

Sir Nevile Henderson, British Ambassador in Berlin, is in London for a few days and, in accordance with ordinary practice, advantage is being taken of his presence for general consultations. He visited the Foreign Office yesterday.—British Wireless.

AIR RAIDS TEMPORARILY BANNED

Barcelona, To-day.

The Spanish Government has banned big air raids, limiting air force operation to co-operation with the army, pending the outcome of the Anglo-French negotiations in respect of indiscriminate bombing.—Reuter.

TRINIDAD COMMISSION'S REPORT

London, To-day.

Questioned in the Commons of the Trinidad Commission's Report, the Colonial Secretary said that while he accepted the Report and its recommendations generally, he must await the views of the Government of Trinidad on many matters of detail before coming to final decisions.

He reminded the House that he had already implemented one of the most important recommendations by the appointment as Industrial Adviser of Mr. Linton of the Ministry of Labour, who was leaving for Trinidad in the near future.

Mr. Ormsby Gore expressed his deep gratitude to the members of the Commission for their services.—British Wireless.

The Foreign Secretary had an audience of the King at Buckingham Palace last evening.—British Wireless.

REHOUSING BRITAIN ON NEW SUBSIDY

London, To-day.

A bill, the second reading of which is expected to be moved next week, has been introduced by the Minister of Health to make provision for further State assistance for slum clearance and the elimination of overcrowding in order that progress may be made in both directions with equal vigour.

The subsidy will, for the first time, be uniform, both for slum clearance and for overcrowding.

The Bill makes special provision for the general needs of the agricultural population.

It is estimated on the average that cottages can be let, with the aid of the normal subsidy provided in the Bill, at rents ranging from six shillings to seven shillings weekly exclusive, flats at rents ranging from seven shillings to eight shillings weekly, and cottages for the agricultural population at rents ranging from three shillings to four shillings weekly.—British Wireless.

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THE JAPANESE & SOUTH CHINA

IT IS TOO early yet for anyone to state categorically whether the Japanese will invade South China or not.

It is a truism, however, to state that the probability of a Japanese invasion will increase or decrease in proportion to our preparedness in South China. In other words, if the Kwangtung authorities are prepared to offer the stiffest resistance to Japanese invasion of Kwangtung and, at the same time, aim at overwhelming the Japanese invading forces in battles fought on ground of our own choosing, the Japanese will think twice or thrice before committing their forces to hostilities in South China.

On the face of things as they are to-day, we in Kwangtung have a good opportunity to defeat Japan.

Our morale is good and, fighting on our own soil and in defence of our own villages, that morale will be further stiffened by the support of our families who would be the first to suffer from the invasion of the Japanese aggressors.

500,000 Men

It is not surprising then to find throughout Kwangtung the rising tide of Chinese Nationalism surging in the breasts of the People. The authorities find no difficulty in gaining supporters to the numerous people's movements that are being organised all through the length and breadth of Kwangtung. And as in Kwangsi, the People's Movement is taking a form and content that is peculiarly Chinese. The task of raising

half a million fighting men in Kwangtung will not be difficult, while the distribution of arms among the people is being supplemented by the institution of tactical training and administration by the Kwangtung Military authorities. Attention to this phase of the preparedness of the Nation has been called to our notice by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. He has stated that the preparation of the people for guerilla warfare must be in accordance with a centralised plan.

Newspapers and other reading material dealing with National Salvation are being eagerly sought by the peasantry and the population of the rural districts. Hundreds of thousands of copies of instructions relating to passive measures for

anti-aircraft defence and anti-gas defence have been distributed among the population.

Relations With Hong Kong

And in the important sphere of Medical Relief work a Committee under the leadership of General Cheung Kin, head of the 4th Route Army Medical Corps, has successfully co-ordinated both civilian and military services upon the principles evolved from the lessons learnt from the experiences in the battles around Shanghai and Nanking.

As in Shanghai, only perhaps to a lesser degree, the safety of Hong Kong depends upon the Chinese forces deployed in South China and particularly in Kwangtung. Our relations with the Hong Kong authorities are cordial and out of the heartfelt sympathy for our people in misfortune there is bound to grow up a cultural base upon which to set the splendid political and

—BY—
PERCY CHEN

commercial relations which our country has been enjoying with the British Empire.

There is perhaps no one more than I who wishes to see those relations develop to their logical conclusion. Peace and co-operation between the China and the British Empire as well as with those other nations that bear us good-will is the surest guarantee for the early restoration of peace in the Far East; not on the basis of Japan's paradoxical understanding of Peace but on the basis of sincere respect for the integrity of each other's territory, rights to self determination, and the development of cultural and economic structures which answer to the requirements and particularities of each people.

Much To Lose

Strategically the Japanese have much to lose and little to gain from an invasion of South China. But their over-weening ambition has set them objectives which are far beyond their capacities. In North China the Japanese are already faced with disaster of the greatest magnitude. But with the recklessness of the gamblers they are, the Japanese Government may decide upon, or be powerless to prevent, the plunging of South China and countries and territories bordering on Kwangtung into war.

There is no question that if war is brought to Kwangtung that Hong Kong will be involved. And much as we are concerned about the need for the defeat of Japan in Kwangtung we still find room to be concerned over the possible fate of Hong Kong in the event of the landing of 100,000 to 150,000 Japanese soldiers at Bias Bay, Chungshan District or Pakhoi.

Wherever the Japanese seek to invade our Provinces we will meet them with fire and sword. And with the united effort of our People inflict a decisive defeat upon them. Such a defeat cannot but fail to have decisive results upon the outcome of the War, to safeguard Victory for China over the Japanese invader.



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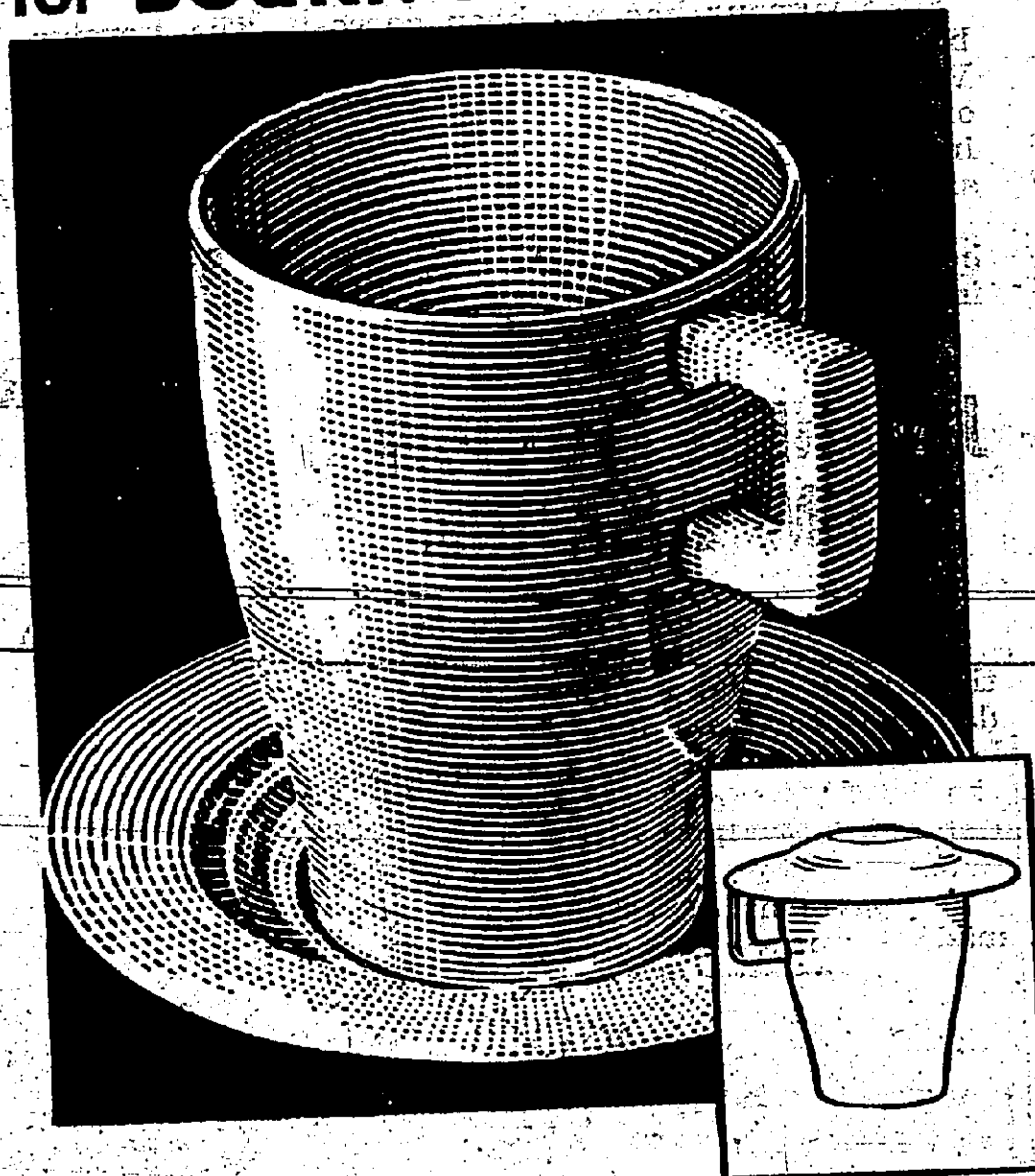
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Embassies In Hankow Refer To Governments

Considerable Alarm Felt In Hankow

Hankow, To-day.

The various Embassies here have received copies of a Note delivered on Wednesday to their representatives in Peiping by the "provisional government," in which all nationals belonging to neutral powers are urged to evacuate a huge area north of the Yangtse.

In view of the big issues involved, none of the Embassies is willing to offer comment, and it is believed that all have referred the matter to their home governments.

In its scope, the warning is unprecedented.

Previously, the Japanese, before bombing Chinese cities, had only requested neutrals to evacuate specified cities and towns, but the area now involved comprises part or whole of the seven provinces of Kiangsi, Anhwei, Shantung, Honan, Hupeh, Shansi and Szechuen, in which more than 150,000,000 Chinese are believed to live.

A large number of foreign missionaries and educationalists are also in the area.

Considerable alarm is felt over the position in Hankow, where the congested Chinese populace of about 1,000,000 intermingles freely in districts where a large foreign community lives.

Various Embassies are established here, and there are large British, American, French and German interests.—Reuter.

SIR ANDREW TO REPORT ON CONSTITUTION

London, To-day.

In a written answer, the Secretary of State for the Colonies informed a Member of the House of Commons yesterday that he has asked the Governor of Ceylon to report fully on the working of the constitution.

On receipt of the report he will consider whether the appointment of a Commission of Enquiry is the best procedure for considering the various proposals for amendment that he has received from Ceylon.—British Wireless.

Minister Snubs Mr. Mander

London, To-day.

The action of British workers in refusing to load Japanese vessels came up during question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander (Liberal, East Wolverhampton) asked what the Government policy is in regard to workers' refusal to load war and other material destined for Japan.

WAR OFFICE TO RETAIN SIR HERBERT CREEDY

London, To-day.

It is announced by the War Office that at the request of the Secretary for War, Sir Herbert Creedy has consented to serve as Permanent Under-Secretary of State for War beyond the normal age for retirement until the Autumn of 1939.

Sir Herbert, who is 59 years old, has been Permanent Under-Secretary since 1924 and a member and Secretary of the Army Council since 1920.—British Wireless.

Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister for Labour, said that the refusals are a matter for the joint machinery of the industry concerned to consider.

Mr. Mander then asked if the workers were not taking a very natural and human action, and were doing the very thing the Government ought to be doing themselves.

Mr. Brown replied that he did not consider it his or Mr. Mander's duty to act as loud-speaker for Communist propaganda.—Reuter.

In the general interests of the public, the St. John Ambulance Brigade are posting a vaccinating post at the Upper Peak Tram Station on Tuesday, February 6, from 10.30 a.m. till 12.30 p.m.

TOKYO WILL TAKE CHINA REPARATIONS

Tokyo, To-day.

Japan is determined to get war reparations from China, "even if the Chiang Kai-shek regime fails to pay them," declared the Foreign Minister in the Lower House yesterday.

Mr. Hirota declared that payment of money was not the "only form which indemnities could take," implying that Japan is resolved to obtain compensation in another way if cash is not forthcoming.

In his statement, made in reply to interpellations by Mr. Motoyoshi Baba, of the Tohokai Party, Mr. Hirota rejected the views expressed in some quarters that collection of indemnities would be a difficult matter in the event of prolonged hostilities.

He assured his interrogator that collection of indemnities was part of Japan's "fundamental policy" in the China conflict.

WARSHIP HOLDS UP JUNK

Leung Kau, master of fishing junk, No. 494HW has reported to the Police that on January 23 while off Nam Shan, Chinese Territory, a Japanese warship came in sight. Twelve sailors approached his junk in a motor boat and took away two old rifles and 200 rounds of ammunition. No injury was done to anybody and no damage to the junk.

Turning to the question of compensation for Japanese residents in China, Mr. Hirota said: "In view of the fact that early restoration of losses suffered by Japanese in China would benefit the Japanese Government will take effective measures to assist the rehabilitation programme on their behalf. Damages suffered by Japanese residents in China are not a private problem."

Mr. Hirota also revealed that the Government is planning to establish a "powerful central organ to promote cultural relations between Japanese and Chinese."—Reuter.

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JAPAN'S CONFESSIONS

Whether or not the Japanese Government approves disclosure at this time, the Diet's insatiable quest for information regarding the realities of Japanese intentions in China is making clear the full extent and range of those ambitions. The plans disclosed in yesterday's meeting in the Lower House represent an open admission of predatory operations. Japan proposes to assume absolute economic domination, taking complete control of every branch of trade and industry and development that suits her purpose, with larger enterprises under Japanese State control, private Japanese initiative free to operate in other fields of exploitation, what is left over being granted (presumably) to the Chinese inhabitants to provide for their own economic well-being.

This Government, too, which makes a fetish of "Chinese insincerity," blandly tells the world that there is no intention, for the present, of inviting undesirable complications with foreign Powers by attempting to enforce such a programme in the Shanghai area, but Japanese State-controlled enterprise will eventually be established in Shanghai. For once in a while, pretence is cast aside and the Powers are invited to contemplate the process of Japanese consolidation of their position in other parts of occupied China until Tokyo feels itself powerful enough to walk into Shanghai and dispose of foreign interests there with a "try and stop us" gesture.

If Britain, France or the United States, or any other country with interests in the Far East were under any delusions regarding the Japanese programme, the official Diet statements should finally dispose of them. This, plainly, is more than a war for a sphere of influence; it is a carefully prepared and planned aggression whose object is firstly the division of the Celestial Empire into a series of feudatory and tributary States on the model of Manchukuo, and secondly the expulsion of European (and incidentally American) interests in the Far East.

It is a policy of sheer force without any plausible pretext of right or equity—to say nothing of the omission of the mere formality of a declaration of war—and as Tory quarters in London are now beginning to put it, we shall do well to recognise that we are back in the iron age where the only argument is victory. Japan apparently believes that war is a profitable investment, and it remains to be seen whether her philosophy can justify itself by success. If it does, it means an end to any hope of international law or of peaceful diplomacy; and that in itself must intensify both the disquiet and the armaments race in Europe.

What the Powers chiefly concerned about it propose to do, if they intend to do anything beyond watching their slow but inevitable eclipse, remains a matter of doubt. Geneva in the last few days has been the scene of consultations with the seeking of ways and means to lend material aid to China as their main objective. The prospect of active intervention, however, is nil. It is possible that the Soviet Government did make the offer attributed to it, of its willingness to rescue the situation in the Far East in return for a British guarantee of the immunity of Moscow's European borders, but this was an offer which demanded more of Mr. Eden than the present state of public opinion in Britain would admit—and any other steps in substitution demanded the concurrence and co-operation of the United States, in opposition to American public opinion. Indignant over attacks on her flag though she is, America is still under the impression that Britain is guiding her into a dangerously false position, and unless directly attacked, which is in the last degree unlikely, the prevalent mood of isolation is certain to persist in spite of the stresses of the present time. It is not inconceivable, however, that covertly at all events, increased aid to China will be forthcoming from all the Powers interested in preserving China from the fate Japan intends for her. Mr. Eden, questioned on this point in the House of Commons, said he was unable to make a statement. The wording of the League resolution was sufficiently elastic to authorise any form of individual action in support of the League's condemnation of Japan. Dr. Wellington Koo's reservations suggested, rather than failure to achieve, a desire to see the effect of any understanding that was reached.

JAPANESE VERSION OF PEACE OVERTURES

Chiang's Request For Definition Of Terms

TROOPS IN CONTROL OF CANTON

Canton, To-day.
Canton awakened to an atmosphere of uncertainty this morning.

There is still no information to explain the tension but soldiers with fixed bayonets at present are patrolling the streets all over the city. The telephone service in Canton has been disrupted. — Reuter.

The city is full of the most sensational rumours including the suggestion that internal political trouble is behind developments.

It is believed now, however, that the Canton authorities, apprehensive of an early attack on South China, are in the throes of a spy scare, which explains the extraordinary activities of the military authorities.—Our Own Correspondent.

BOOM CLOSED

It is learned from authoritative quarters that the Canton River boom was closed during the night and that the passage of river shipping is now impossible.

No steamers sailed from Hong Kong for either Canton or Kowloon this morning, although the wharves were crowded with passengers and their luggage, slowly trickling away at 11.30 a.m. although many still stayed in the hope that something would occur to enable them to sail after all.

ONE DESTROYER

The s.s. Taming, which arrived in Hong Kong late last night, reported that the only Japanese warship now to be seen in the delta is destroyer No. 16, which is cruising in the vicinity of Sampanchau.

SHIPPING STOPPED

The Naval authorities in Hong Kong have received information from the West River patrol to the effect that the Chinese military authorities are guarding the Beding Field Barrier, which is just north of Bocca Tigris, and will allow no shipping to pass.

All Hong Kong bound ships which left the Kwangtung capital this morning have returned to Canton.

Obstinate Attitude Of "Chungking" Authorities

Tokyo, To-day.

Following the occupation of Nanking, Japan was informed by Germany of the Chungking Government's readiness to open peace negotiations, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, told the Diet in a lengthy review of the abortive efforts to bring the dispute to an end.

Ever since commencement of the conflict, he said, the Government had given the Chungking administration every opportunity to reconsider its attitude.

Mr. Hirota declared that neither the League of Nations nor the signatories of the Nine-Power Pact had anything to do with the current dispute, and Japan had insisted on direct negotiation with China.

He added that this conviction had been communicated by the Government to Britain, the United States and other Powers.

A few of the last had kept the Japanese Government informed of the views held by General Chiang Kai-shek's administration.

OBSTINATE STAND

Mr. Hirota continued: "China, however, assumed a strong and obstinate stand," and, declining to enter into direct negotiations with Japan, appealed to the League and the Nine-Power signatories.

Japan, through the good offices of the German Government, then informed the Chungking administration of the conditions on which she would discontinue operations "if China wished for peace."

CHIANG'S REQUEST

General Chiang Kai-shek asked for an explanation of these terms and received it, but "China failed to demonstrate her desire for peace on the conditions offered by this country."

"Germany's mediation was thus set at naught, and the Government was obliged to announce that it

would not any longer deal with the National Government, on January 16."

TOHOKAI ATTITUDE

Mr. Yutani, of the reactionary Tohokai Party, then suggested that the Government should not have conducted peace talks while troops were engaged in severe clashes with the Chinese forces.

Mr. Hirota replied that at the time troops were fighting, China, according to information supplied to Japan by Germany, was maintaining a strong attitude.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CASUALTY FIGURES

Tokyo, To-day.
The War Minister announced in the Lower House yesterday that the Japanese troops killed in China to date totalled approximately 20,000.—Reuter.

CHEFOO GRENADE INCIDENT

Shanghai, To-day.

According to Japanese reports, an incident marked the assumption of authority by the Japanese at Chefoo yesterday, when a Chinese policeman, one of the force that was being disarmed, threw a hand grenade at Japanese soldiers.

The man was shot dead on the spot, and the missile caused no damage.

Otherwise, the same reports state, disarming of Chefoo's 800 policemen and their disbandment, proceeded without a hitch.

Japanese sentries are now posted at each street corner, and Japanese soldiers have occupied all official Chinese buildings, including the Customs, taxation office, Central Bank of China and the Bank of Communications. Japanese flags are now flying above these offices.—Reuter.

Another Experimental Black-Out To Be Held In Hong Kong

The "China Mail" has been given to understand that a further experimental "blackout" will be held sometime towards the end of this month or in the early days of March.

As in the last "blackout," the greatest care is being taken to insure, as near as possible, that no illuminations of any description will

be visible from the air. It is likely that the blackout will extend over a period of four hours, probably from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

It is considered highly probable that greater stringency will be observed with lights on vehicles. Whereas official circles were highly satisfied with building lights, during the last blackout, it was considered that vehicular lights were not sufficiently dim.

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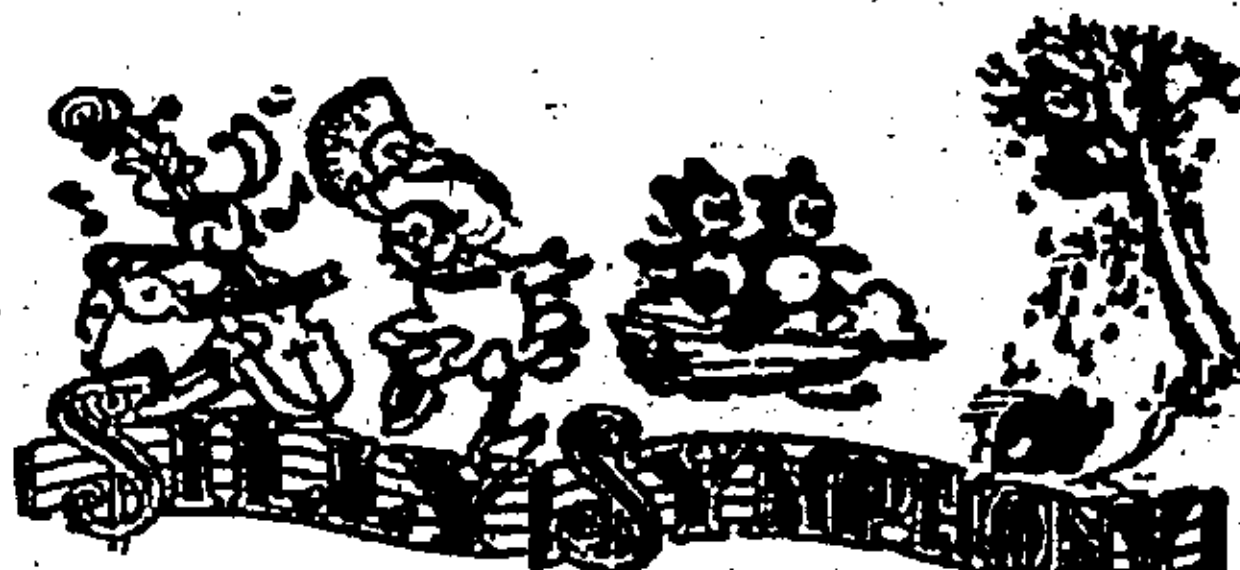
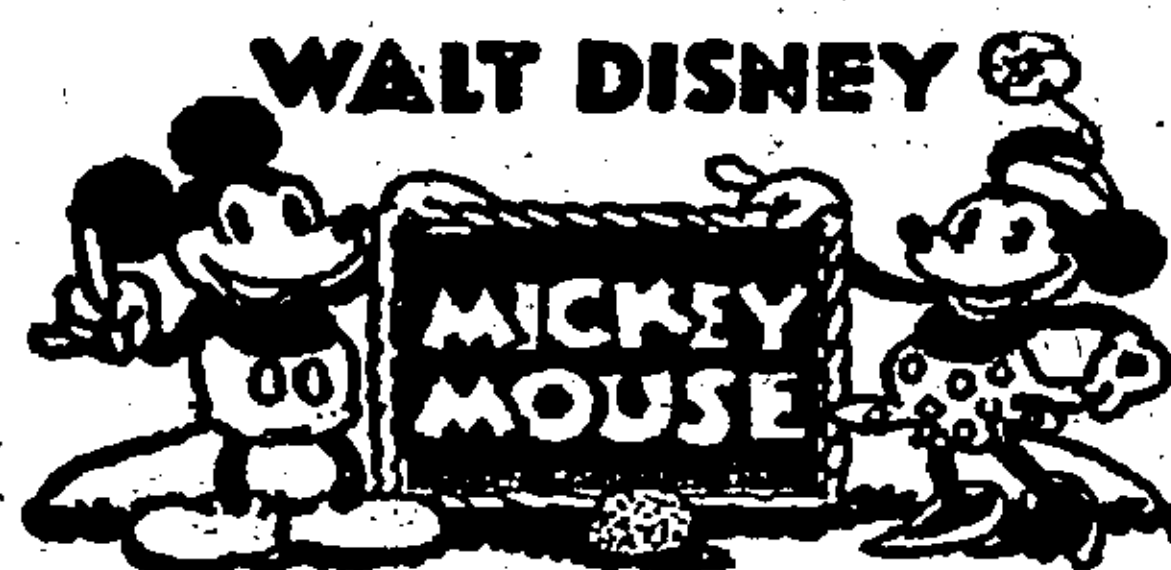
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NEW FORM OF JAP

Claim Right To Control Press Messages To S'hai

London, To-day.

Questioned in the House of Commons yesterday by Capt. Peter Macdonald (Conservative, Isle of Wight) in regard to censorship in Shanghai, the Foreign Secretary, in a written reply, said that the Japanese authorities in Shanghai are claiming to censor messages from Britain to British newspapers in Shanghai.

He, however, was not aware that any such telegrams had been censored.

On the other hand, the Consul-General in Shanghai was protesting in writing to the Japanese Consul-General against unreasonable exercise of censorship in respect of two press telegrams from Shanghai.

Mr. Eden said that the question of further representation in Nanking while the Consul would be on furlough, was at present being considered.—Reuter.

CHINESE CONFIDENCE IN GERMAN ADVISERS

Hankow, To-day.

"The Chinese Government has complete confidence in its German military advisers, and is highly satisfied with their services," declared a spokesman of the National Government in an interview yesterday.

The declaration was made in refutation of a remark alleged to have been made by a certain political observer in an interview with foreign pressmen, to the effect that German military advisers serving with the Chinese army had not made a contribution of any value, either in organisation or tactics of the Chinese forces.

The spokesman said: "The observer's remark was obviously at variance with the facts that the German military advisers are well trained and experienced in modern warfare."

DEVOTION TO DUTY

"In the service of China they have manifested both loyalty and sincerity, and their contributions have been numerous."

"The Government has complete confidence in them, in view of the traditional friendly relations between China and Germany, and the Chinese Government feels highly satisfied with the great devotion to duty of its German advisers." — Reuter.

MR. SUN FO'S HOME SEALED BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, To-day.

The private home of Mr. Sun Fo, at present in Moscow, has been sealed up by the Japanese.

The home is situated in Chinese territory off an extra-Settlement road in the western suburbs within the British defence sector.

So far the Japanese authorities appear to have made no attempt to seize Chinese property within the Concession or Settlement south of Soochow Creek.

AWAITING TEST CASE

Until a test case arises it is difficult to predict the attitude the foreign authorities will take. There is no doubt that unless obstacles are placed in the way, the Japanese will seize all private homes belonging to Chinese officials.

The imposing home of Mr. T. V. Soong is expected, in this event, to be among the very first seized. — Reuter.

PEACE IN CHEFOO

Peace and quiet in Chefoo following occupation of the town by Japanese troops yesterday.

The usual number of shops remain closed, but telephones and telegraphs are functioning.

Owing to the Japanese troops, 100 — a detachment from four Japanese troops — are now patrolling the town.

Meanwhile, the Japanese troops are following the army of Chang Huan, appointed by the Japanese Government.

The Japanese Mr. Nagaoka, together with two Japanese business men, arrived yesterday.

No incident in the town.



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"NOT ONLY YOUTH"

HOW MANY times before today, Coral Thornton wondered, looking down from her perch on the high step ladder with a pencilled library catalogue in her hand, had she seen Stephen Conway sitting as now at his table in the oriel window, a shaft of afternoon sunshine outlining his handsome profile and glinting on the faint patches of grey about his temples?

More times than she could count, after working for three months as his secretary. And yet to-day.

Suddenly he looked up, his blue eyes alight in a slightly worn face. Her heart gave a strange little leap.

"Are you tired, child?" Conway asked kindly.

Coral shook her head. "Oh, no! But I've finished this shelf. What shall I do next?"

"Come down!" he laughed. "Type a letter for me, and then be off to enjoy yourself. You don't want to be shut up here with musty old volumes on a summer day like this!"

"Yes, I do!" The colour rose faintly in Coral's camellia-pale face with its red lips and wide dark eyes. "I like cataloguing or I shouldn't have taken my librarian's course."

"Come down, anyway," he repeated. "Or must I fetch you?"

The blue eyes held the dark ones challengingly for a moment before Coral started obediently to climb down the steps.

young first love was his, too strong for any man's resistance, and after a brief struggle Conway gave in.

"Heaven knows I want you, child!" he whispered with his lips against her cheek.

The engagement was to be secret for a while they decided.

It was Coral's wish and Conway could deny her nothing. He gave her a little posy ring that had been his mother's, to keep for the time being. Thrilling all over with childish delight she hung it on a fine gold chain she wore round her neck for the mascot attached to it, smiling radiantly at the giver as it slipped to its hidden place beneath her frock.

"Our secret!" she said with glowing eyes. "Just yours and mine!"

"Hullo, child, how late you are! Not overworking, now, are you?" Dr. Thornton's eye ran enquiringly over his daughter, who for once had not home to find her father back from his rounds before her.

Coral shook her head.

"Oh, no, I enjoy the work. We—we are getting on first rate with the library!"

Something in her voice made the doctor glance rather sharply towards her.

"Does Conway work with you at that?"

"Sometimes. He's often away in London you know. To-day he

for her. Towards morning an idea flashed into her mind.

Her godmother, Susan Dacre, her dead mother's oldest friend! She'd come! She always had come when Coral wanted her. London was not too far away, and surely in this moment of need—

The letter Coral wrote and slipped into the box next day was almost an S.O.S. in its urgency. She gave a sigh of relief when it was posted once and for all.

Three days later the answer came, discreetly worked as she'd known a letter written by Susan Dacre would be.

Mrs. Dacre it appeared was feeling the heat in London. She thought of coming down for a week or two to the country house hotel whose grounds joined those of the doctor's house. She looked forward to being near her goddaughter and hoped that all was well with the latter.

That was all. But Coral handed the letter to her father as she was meant to do, feeling a weight of anxiety lifted from her mind. After which she returned to the dream world in which she had lived since her secret engagement to her employer.

In all her busy young life, full to the brim with school and college interests she had never really been in love before. In addition to which, the secrecy of the engagement added a strange glamour to her visits as secretary to the big house, whose owner waited day by day to take her eagerly in his arms when once the library door had closed.

In spite of her desire to see her god-mother it came almost as a shock to realise that the day of Mrs. Dacre's arrival was here.

When she got home in the afternoon she found an immensely long Talbot car drawn up outside the door, and Susan Dacre, charming and beautifully dressed, as Coral always remembered her, waiting on the doorstep.

By the car was a young man, sunburnt, broad shouldered, bare-headed, his crisp dark hair just ruffled by the wind.

Coral caught a glimpse of him as she hurried eagerly to be unfolded in her godmother's embrace. A moment later they were shaking hands, to Susan's murmured.

"Darling—this is Ronald, my boy, just over from Canada for a month or two. He brought me down."

Coral met the smile in a pair of frank grey eyes, felt her hand held in a big strong hand that seemed loth to let it go. Then they all went into the house together.

Over tea Coral gathered that Ronald Dacre proposed staying on for a few days to explore the country in his car. And somehow, vaguely, the information did not please her as it might have done.

Was it only that she wanted her godmother to herself? Or was there something vaguely disturbing in Ronald's aggressive virility, his look of suppressed energy and youth?

When he'd gone away round to

the hotel with the luggage, the room seemed suddenly empty. But at last Coral was free to pour her difficulties into Susan's sympathetic ear—Susan being one of those who invariably get told things.

"Let's not do anything yet, darling!" she advised. "Wait till I get to know—by the way you have not told me his name? Stephen Conway! Why I knew a Stephen Conway once. Before you were born, dear child!"

Coral winced ever so slightly.

"Perhaps it was not he. And anyway I told you he was much older than I am. It makes no difference at all! You'll see it doesn't when you know him and—"

Their talk was cut short by Doctor Thornton's usual bustling entrance. A moment later the purring of the Talbot sounded from outside again.

"Here's Ron back!" Mrs. Dacre sighed. "Just aching to try out this new car of his without me in it! Coral, child, take him somewhere where he can drive at seventy miles an hour while your father and I look after each other!"

But forceful and energetic Ronald was already on the spot to speak for himself.

"Please! You've got to come! The car's a marvel—I must show someone what she can do! You've all ready too—"

Strangely reluctant Coral gave in. Ronald, beaming with delight, swept her proudly out to the shining new car, put her in and took his place beside her.

As with his strong, sunburnt hands on the wheel they roared away down the road, he looked at Coral and laughed.

"Great, isn't it! A good road too. They are good in England! But you've no idea what a real baby country this seems to me now. Cosy, like some nice little motherly woman! You should see Canada though! It's fine!"

His grey eyes came to life and glowed with enthusiasm as he proceeded to open out on Canada. It was only after some ten minutes of rapid talk that he said penitently.

"But I reckon you've got to forgive me a lot when I get talking—Coral. You've been real sweet to listen. Where shall we go now?"

Coral had thought of saying "home." But he looked so happy sitting there with his thick hair blowing back in the wind that compunction seized her.

She mentioned the name of a town twenty miles further ahead. He seized on it eagerly.

"Right, let's go there!"

They swept on again. Instead of talking about Canada, Ronald suddenly became interested in Coral's own life.

"My word!" he said impatiently after a while. "A lovely thing like you shut up doing secretarial work for a country squire! Can't you do better than that? Get out somewhere and breathe?"

"Not very polite, are you?"

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Short Story

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By Eva Bretherton

Neither knew quite how it happened, but suddenly she slipped or caught her heel. Another second and she was pitching forward into space—and into Stephen Conway's arms at the bottom. There was a moment while she clung to him too scared to think of anything but safety, another while she realised that he was holding her strangely close. Then he had bent his handsome head and his lips had fallen warmly and passionately on hers.

For a long minute he held her, realising that she, too, was holding him, her kisses answering his own, while both were lost in a passion that had overwhelmed them. Then abruptly he released her.

"Forgive me, dear!" His voice was hoarse. "But you're so sweet. I love you so, that I forgot—"

"And I love you too," Coral just breathed, drawing close again. "There's nothing to forgive, is there?" Her eyes sought his.

"Darling!" he groaned. "I want you for my wife. And I'm too old for your lovely youth. I ought not to have—"

"Why not?" Coral was lifting her lips to his again. "You're not old. And if we love each other does anything else matter—Stephen?"

The colour flooded her cheeks as she pulled his arm about her again. All the ardour of her

was down here."

In spite of herself the colour had risen suddenly in Coral's cheeks and she turned quickly away.

"H'm! Has he no sons or daughters to come down and see him? I know he's been a widower some years."

"He has no family," Coral said stiffly. "I think he's lonely sometimes."

"I hope you're not getting fond of him or anything!" Dr. Thornton eyed his daughter uneasily again.

"I—I do like him very much—" Coral admitted slowly. "I think he's wonderful in some ways—" For a moment she felt confession trembling on her lips.

Only to have the impulse shattered by her father saying briskly, in the relief of discovering, as he thought, mere hero worship on her part:

"Well, let it stop at that then, my dear! For anything more would never have my consent or approval. I want to see my daughter married to a man of her own age some day!"

He bustled off to his surgery, while Coral stood silent and unhappy by the window, seeing ahead of her the moment when she must battle with her father for the man she loved.

Half the night she tossed wakefully, wishing she had a mother to intercede and make things easy



Taken at the Club de Recreio Ladies' Dance. (Yuen Chun Studio).



The Scotland team take the field for the second half of their unsuccessful attempt against China in the Semi-Final Round of the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup Competition last Monday. Left to right are Fraser, Bone, McKusker, George Hill (Captain), McGuigan, Dunna-chie, Lee Tin-sang, and Potts. ("Mail" photo).



George Hill, the Scotland left-back, cleverly clears a dangerous overhead pass backwards in the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup match during a China attack, while Fung King-cheong, the China inside-right (left), Chan Tak-fai, (centre-forward, partly obscured) and McKusker, the Scots' centre-half, anxiously await the next move. ("Mail" photo).



Even the children are keen gamblers. A street scene taken by our photographer over the Chinese New Year holiday.

CABBAGES AND KINGS

In The City

"You've got a very pretty typist. Has she any references?"
"Who cares?"

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The boy's school report was one of those which had to be signed by the father and sent back to the schoolmaster as a proof that the father had read it.

This report said: "He is a very good boy, but talks too much." Before he signed it, the weary father wrote on it: "You should hear his mother!"

Impossible

"I do not wish to meet some of the characters depicted in modern fiction," proclaims a reviewer. He couldn't.

CABBAGES AND KINGS

A woman spends half her time complaining that she has nothing to wear, and the rest of it displaying the fact.

"I think I'm within my rights in asking for real wine in the banqueting scene," said the actor. "Ay," replied the stage manager. "An' mebbe ye'll tak' real poison in th' death scene, too."

Half-Minutes In Hollywood

"I love you."
"Sir . . . I have a husband. We have been married ten years, and I have never had a thought for another man."
Yes; you've guessed it. That's "on the set."

Sure Sign

"What do calloused thumbs indicate?" asks a writer. Automatic cigarette lighters.

Murder

I saw a man so affected by the singing of a song that he burst into tears. I later learned that he wrote the song.

No Animosity

A crooner has been kidnapped in America. It says much for the disinterested devotion to duty of the G-men that they are trying to trace him, just the same.

Obliging

West End milliners now have rest lounges for clients. Presumably where customers can sit down for a few minutes while the fashions change.

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Mixed

A poetic-minded writer says books can be the single man's wife, the lonely man's friend, and the hungry man's food. Books! He means beer.



D. W. Waterton (centre) surveys the path to the jack in last Monday's play in the "Attaboy Lawn Bowls Shield" series held at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. ("Mail" photo).



Seaforth and "Y" Ladies in a scrimmage for the ball during their Brawn Cup encounter last Saturday when the latter won by the odd goal in three. The two central figures are Miss Lyn Murray and Miss Violet Bradbury. ("Mail" photo).

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Derby (2)

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LAND (-)

Wolves (2)

Leicester (-)

Everton (3)

Leeds (0)

Portsmouth (1)

Charlton (1)

Chelsea (0)

Grimsby (2)

DIVISION

Tottenham (0)

West Ham (2)

Swansea (0)

ASTON

VILLA (2)

Barnley (-)

Bury (3)

Coventry (1)

NORWICH (0)

Bradford (-)

Manchester U. (-)

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Southend (2)

Bournemouth (1)

Notts C. (2)

Torquay (1)

Clapton O. (-)

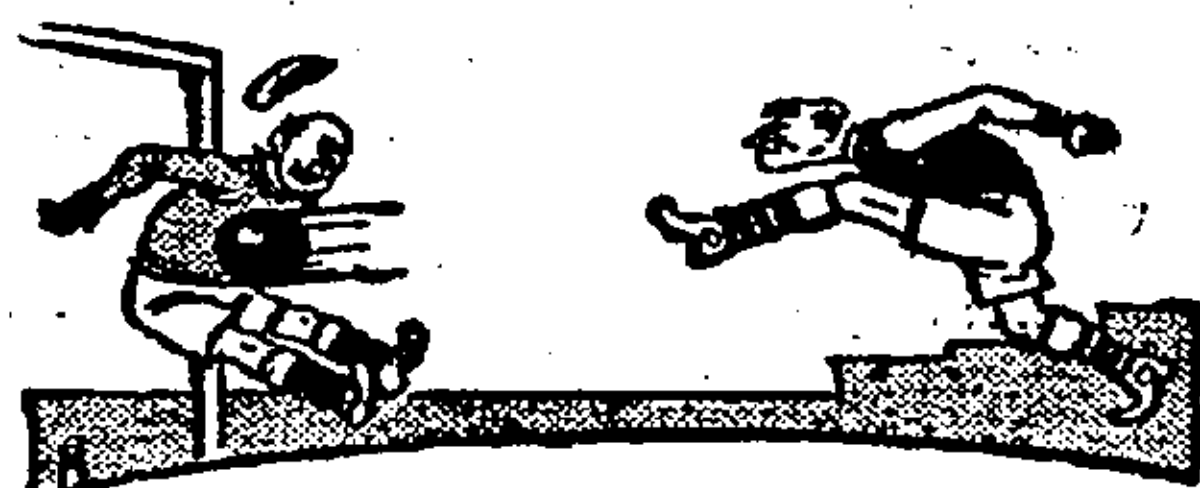
Bristol C. (1)

Queen's P. R. (1)

Newport (4)

Gillingham (0)

BRIGHTON (4)



THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

BARROW (3)	v	Port Vale (1)
BRADFORD	v	Accrington (-)
C. (-)	v	Rochdale (2)
Crewe (2)	v	Doncaster (-)
DONCASTER (-)	v	Rotherham (-)
Hartlepool (1)	v	Oldham (0)
HULL CITY (4)	v	New Brighton (1)
LINCOLN (1)	v	Gateshead (2)
Southport (1)	v	Chester (2)
TRANMERE (2)	v	Halifax (1)
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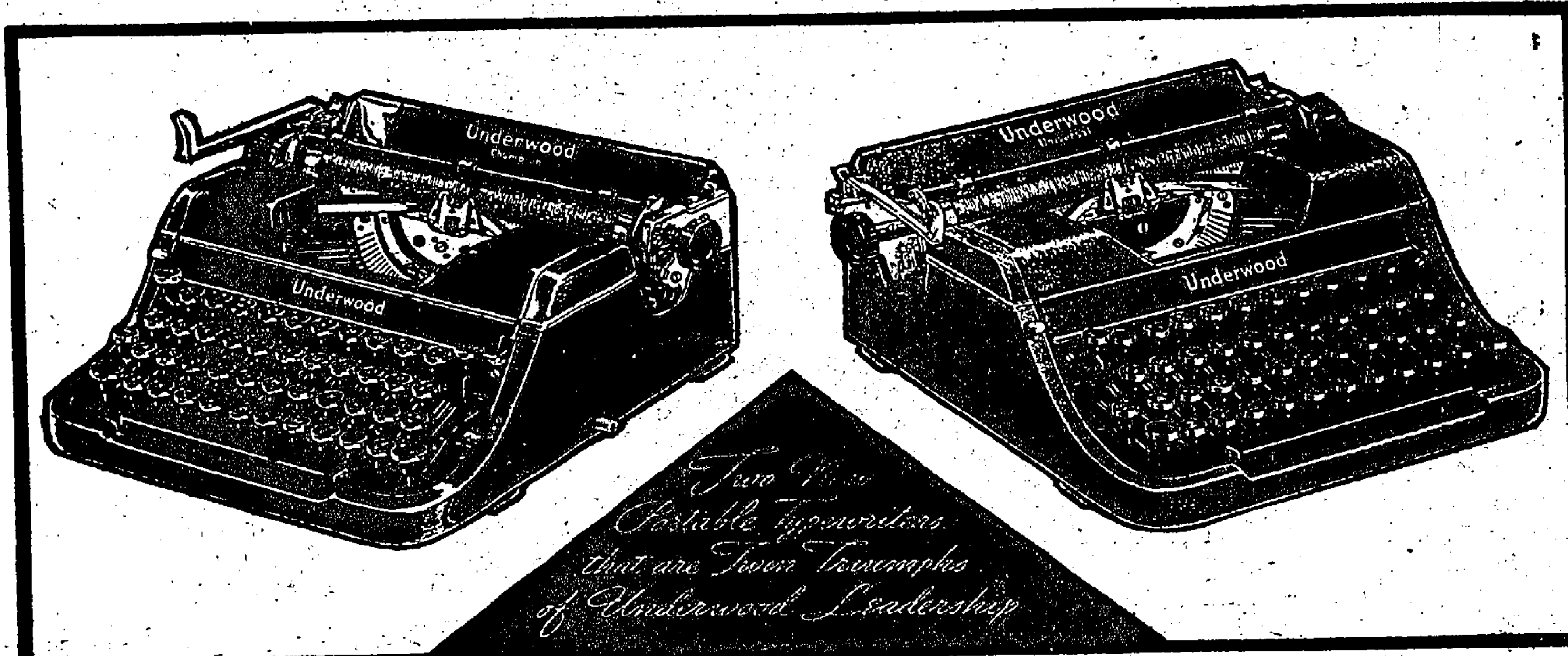
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FIRST DIVISION

Ayr (-)	v	HEARTS (-)
CELTIC (5)	v	Arbroath (1)
Dundee (0)	v	Rangers (0)
FALKIRK (3)	v	Hamilton (2)
Hibernian (1)	v	ABERDEEN (3)
MOTHER-	v	Queen's Park (1)
WELL (3)	v	Queen O'S. (1)
PARTICK (4)	v	Clyde (1)
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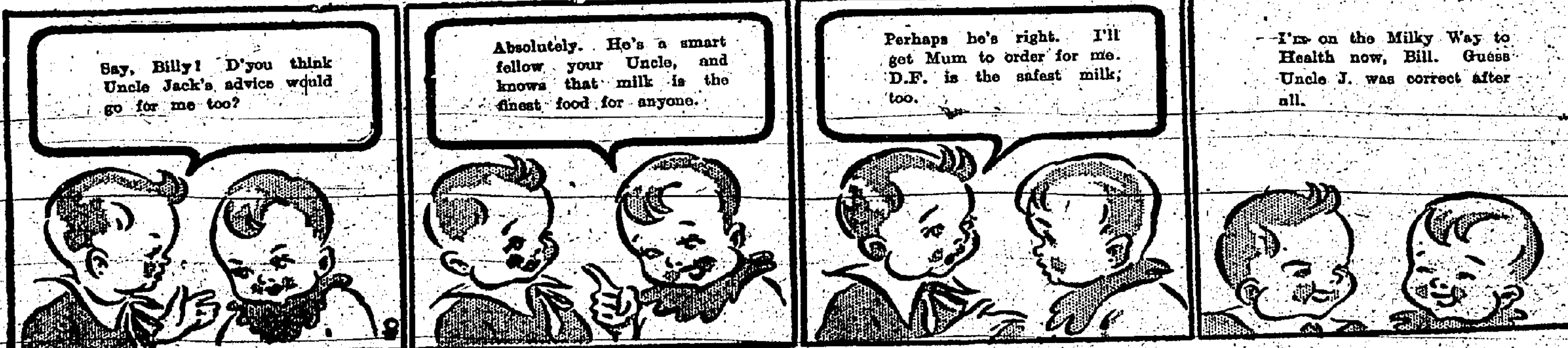
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Coral felt strangely annoyed with him. "And Mr. Conway isn't a country squire. He has big business interests in London. The house and the library I am cataloguing were only left him by someone. I love the work."

"That's all right then," Ronald said equably. "It was only you I was thinking of. You mustn't mind my saying what I think. It happens to be a way I've got. Besides I kind of feel I know you pretty well by now, somehow, considering we only met to-day."

He laid his hand on hers for a moment, in a brotherly sort of way. Then the talk turned to other things, his voyage home, ship companions, his life out west where he was on an engineering job.

Coral found herself listening, more intrigued by it all than she had thought she could be. It was like looking out through an opening door somehow, that led to—

Suddenly she roused herself with a start, realising that they had reached the town they were bound for.

"And now what?" demanded Ronald adroitly parking the great car in the old-fashioned market place. "You've got to show me round. And I don't go till I've seen everything."

It ended in his phoning his mother and their staying out to supper, racing home afterwards through the shadowy lanes in the lingering late summer dusk.

"A long time since we last met, Stephen!"

Up at the Hall next day Susan Dacre stood for a moment with her hand in Stephen Conway's.

"Since we—? Why Susan—Sue—I never dreamt it would be you I was meeting!"

For a second Coral saw a Stephen she had never known. Younger, different, as his blue eyes with the fine lines round them met her godmother's. Then he was himself again, conventionally at ease.

"And not many years older, either," he said lightly, taking in the charming figure Susan made. "Life has evidently been more than kind to you, my dear."

"Not too kind in leaving me a widow," Susan had turned grave for a moment. "Still, I have my boy. What about yourself?"

"Still carrying on! I tell this child I am growing old, but she won't believe me," Conway laughed.

Susan caught the tenderness in his eyes as they met Coral's—and a hint of pain in the lines round his mouth.

"Do you blame me for getting fond of him?" Coral asked wistfully as they went away together afterwards.

"I don't blame you, darling. Or him for loving anything so sweet as yourself. But—"

"Oh, Susan, not any buts, dear! If I'm happy what does anything else matter?"

Susan left it at that for the moment.

The days went on much as before after her arrival. And yet, reluctant as Coral was to admit the fact, there was a new element in her life which subtly, day by day, was changing it for her.

Not that she let Ronald encroach on her time with Conway,

for she still went regularly to the Hall as his secretary, sometimes twice a day for the library work which continued as usual.

And not for worlds would she have admitted that sometimes this irked her now, just as the stillness and closeness of the great room almost stifled her at times after the outdoor life that Ronald was drawing her into whenever he had a chance.

Conway had taken her all over the Hall one day, so that she might see it with the eye of its prospective mistress. Rather awed, she had tried to say the things he wanted said, admiring here, suggesting improvements there—all the while fighting down the strange conviction that it couldn't possibly be she who was going to occupy these stately rooms ere long!

"Darling—" Conway had slipped an arm through hers as they came downstairs together. "When shall we announce our engagement? I'd like it soon now, so that other people may see what I have won for myself."

His blue eyes were tender and kind. Coral hated herself afterwards for having said quickly:

"Oh, not yet, Stephen! Wait just another week or two. It's its nicer keeping it to ourselves, don't you think?"

He sighed. "As you will, my dear. But not for longer than that. Its only that I hate refusing you anything—"

"I know!" Coral caught his hand impulsively. "You're so good to me, Stephen! Too good, I think—"

There was a catch in her voice, a curious tugging at her heart strings that she had never felt before. Of her own accord she lifted her lips to his penitently, like a child might do to make amends for something left undone.

The day came when as she closed her typewriter after her morning's work she asked diffidently:

"Will you mind if I don't come this afternoon and to-morrow, Stephen? Ron and I have drawn as partners in the tennis tournament, and he'd be so disappointed if I didn't play. He's going away quite soon now, so—You don't mind my playing with him, do you?"

"Why, of course not, child!" Stephen's head was bent over some correspondence and she could not see his face. "Go and enjoy yourself. I shall be in Town all to-morrow anyway."

If he saw how Coral's eyes were shining as she crammed on her little hat, gathering up her belongings and prepared to go, he gave no sign.

But as she flung her arms round his neck and kissed him goodbye much as she had kissed her father goodbye that morning, she forgot he had said only half an hour before that he should not go to Town this week.

The tennis match was nearly over. Ronald Dacre and Coral were playing their final doubles when suddenly she saw Stephen among the onlookers.

Her heart gave a queer little jump at the sight of him. Then at a shout of 'yours' from Ronald she forgot everything else but the game again.

Five minutes later she and Ronald walked off winners of the

match, and with Ronald close behind she was pushing her way through to where Conway stood alone.

"I saw you, directly you came!" she said breathlessly, strangely anxious that he should not be hurt by something that she couldn't name though it was there. "Here's Ronald. —I wanted you to meet him."

Her eyes pleaded, though she was unaware of it—"And like him, too!" And as if Conway saw it he insisted suddenly on giving them both tea in the pavilion with him.

It was not too happy a meal, somehow, though Stephen was his grave and charming self, only intent on being kind. Coral hated herself for wondering if it would ever end, for being glad, at last when Stephen got up to go.

"To-morrow then?" he said kindly, bending over her for a moment, "I'll expect you at the us-

ual time?" He held her hand in his, looking rather strangely into her eyes, nodded to Ronald and turned away.

"So that's your boss, is it?" Ronald's eyes were following him thoughtfully. "Been a good looking chap I should say!"

A sudden instinct of defence made Coral say hotly:

"He still is! Better looking than anyone else here. And you may as well know it now, Ronald, though no one else does yet—I'm going to marry him soon."

It was out. And she felt as though she'd just given Ronald a savage blow in the face.

Now they were alone. People had been crowding round them with congratulations and so on. It was some time before they could free themselves, but at last Ronald's hand was on her arm steering her through the throng out into a lane that ran behind the courts.

"Where are we going?" she asked, glancing unhappily into his stern set face.

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KING CHARLES' HEAD

King Charles and the Conspirators, by E. Wingfield-Stratford. (Secker and Warburg, 18s.)

History should always be written by people of strong opinions—I include biography, of course. It is no use trying to be absolutely fair and exact and impartial.

No historian or biographer has any business to be impartial. If he is interested in a period or a personality, he must have opinions about it. Those he ought to lay bare.

I have no quarrel with Mr. Wingfield-Stratford, therefore, for telling us what he thinks about Charles the First. He does it very well indeed. His book is vivid, romantic, exciting. All who have read his History of British Civilisation know how vigorously he writes. His account of the Victorian Age could hardly be improved on. In style this is equally attractive.

SLIPPERY KING

But, while he has before carried with him all readers of progressive mind, he now affronts their intelligence by representing one of the slipperiest, most dishonest characters in history as a poor innocent, pursued by selfish, scheming revolutionaries.

The villains of the piece are Pym and Hampden. Strafford comes out a hero, Laud a saint. Charles was a king who "governed by law and without military force," giving England "peaceful prosperity."

At moments I have wondered if it is all a joke.

Especially when we are told that "Charles, like those other two fated sovereigns, Louis XVI. and Tsar Nicholas II., may fairly claim to have been the most religious of his line."

Especially when, after the passage I have quoted about peace and prosperity, I read that early in the reign "the country seethed with discontent—and no wonder"; that in the middle "the King had two major wars on his hands and what might easily have been the beginnings of a revolution at home"; that four years of foolish adventure had cost England more than 100 years of wise abstention could have done; and that after two decades there was "no quarter to which Charles could look for sup-

port."

This book ends with the death of Strafford. There is to be a second which will carry the strange eventful history down to the death of the King. Oliver Cromwell has not yet appeared, but the view that will be taken of him can be guessed from the author's treatment of Hampden and Pym.

Not even Belloc has handled facts so grotesquely as does Mr. Wingfield-Stratford when he represents Hampden as a wire-puller, a creature of legend, a traitor (on account of his negotiations with the Scots), a sneering, foxy hypocrite. Pym is dismissed on the intellectual side as The Ox and as morally without scruple.

Now it is true that the revolt against Charles's absurd divine right pretensions, which slobbering James his father had invented for the first time in England, was not the lofty, selfless affair that it is often represented to be. The Puritan leaders had axes of their own to grind. Their stand against irresponsible authority was part of the long fight between the mercantile and the kingly interest. The liberty which the squires wanted was liberty for themselves and their business activities.

LOYAL TRADITION

But to insist on that is one thing: to blacken the characters of all who did not slavishly fawn on Charles is quite another. All the more so in the light of Mr. Wingfield-Stratford's very low estimate of the king's intelligence.

He "could not appreciate elementary facts," in critical hours he "hesitated and fumbled," he destroyed the "tradition of loyalty" which might have kept the Lords on his side; he chose his servants badly, and he had no friends. It is impossible to believe in anyone so imbecile. Yet it is only by labelling Charles a fool that his advocate can attempt to clear him of being what he was—a consummate twister.

The attempt is bound to fail. Obviously Charles was not very bright. But he knew what he was doing. He was obstinate, perverse, faithless. And he got more so as he grew older and as the shades of ruin closed around him. So in the next volume his white-washer will have a more difficult task still.

"NOT ONLY YOUTH"

(Continued from Page 6)

"Anywhere where we can be alone," he flung at her. "I only know that we have to thrash out the—the incredible thing you told me just now. I—I can't believe it's true, Coral! Tell me you were joking!"

His eyes besought her, but she turned her own away.

"I wasn't joking. It's true," she told him huskily. "Why—why shouldn't it be?"

"Because he's older than your father for one thing!" Ronald's voice was grim. "And because I love you, want you for my own. Because, if you let yourself do it, you could love me as you never can love him. What can he give you in life that I could give? Coral—think!"

Involuntarily Coral had put a hand over her eyes as if to shut away a forbidden picture from them.

"I—don't want to think," she said faintly. "And it's no good your saying all this to me. I—I see now that I ought to have told you before, but it's too late now to—Besides I'm very fond of Stephen. I shall be—quite happy." Ronald turned and looked at her.

"You mean you're determined to go through with it, then? I am to take it that you care nothing for me after all, although—"

"I—I care for Stephen, Ronald. He and I were engaged before ever you came—Oh, can't you see how hard you are making it all for me?"

He turned on her indignantly. "And what about me? I never dreamt—But I suppose I've merely been fooled like any other chap who thinks a girl cares for him because—Well, its goodbye then. I don't stay here a day longer to see you do a rotten thing like this. You know that, don't you?"

For a second his eyes blazed into hers, angry, unforgiving. Then he had flung round and would have left her then and there if she had not cried.

"Oh, Ronald! Not like this! We've been such good friends, so happy together, and now—"

He turned back at the distress in her voice, crushed her in his arms, and for what seemed an eternity his lips held hers. Then he was gone, almost running from her down the lane.

White and weary, after a night without sleep, Coral was at her post punctually in the morning, anxious only for something to do that would keep her from thinking.

Ronald had gone already, for from her bedroom window as she struggled with her dressing she had seen the big car flash Londonwards with his set face at the window, his suit cases piled up behind.

He had gone, and now—

"My little girl looks tired!" she heard Conway's voice saying from a long way off. "Was the tennis yesterday too hard?"

He was looking at her searchingly and it struck her as strange that he had not kissed her as usual when she arrived. Almost, in her desolate soreness, she would have been happier if he had, although—

"I'm— all right, thank you!" She bent over her typewriter, fid-

dling with the machine. "No, it wasn't too much for me. It was—nice seeing you there."

Her words sounded jerky and inane in her own ears. Perhaps they did to Conway, too, for he said quickly.

"Thank you, child. Shall we get on now? A good deal of work has rolled up in these two days."

They settled down into the every day routine. Coral struggled bravely through the work, though her head ached and her eyes were heavy. Once Conway asked her if she would rather stop, but she shook her head and they went on again.

At midday the telephone shrilled suddenly into the silence of the room. Stephen lifted the receiver.

"It's for you," he said after a minute. "Susan Dacre to speak to you."

Coral took the receiver from him.

"What's that, Susan?" he heard her say. "What? Ronald! Oh, Susan, Susan, speak louder. I can't quite hear."

Her face was white as paper when she finally turned away from the instrument.

"Ronald has had an accident," she said in a frozen voice. "A car smash on the London road. They—they've taken him on there. He—They say he may pull through. He's—asking for—for me. Stephen—Susan says, will I go to him?"

Her eyes were wide and piteous. Everything that she thought and felt was in them. And if Stephen had not known the truth already he must have known it now.

He went to her quietly, put his arm round her shoulder as her father might have done.

"Dear child," he said softly, with his cheek just touching hers. "I can only tell you to do as you wish, for I release you from every obligation of every kind. You are free from this moment to go wheresoever your heart calls you. And I think I have known since yesterday where that is."

He kissed her very gently and sent her away.

A week later Susan Dacre, down from London to fetch her belongings from the hotel, came up to the Hall alone and asked for Stephen.

He was looking older, she noticed with an involuntary pang of pity. But his eyes were calm and kind, as they shook hands, his deep voice as attractive as ever.

"I have brought you a message from Coral," Susan began explaining. "She—she sends her love, her deepest gratitude, and will never forget your kindness to her. She hopes more than anything that she has not made you unhappy. Has she, Stephen?"

He shook his head. There was a faint half sad, half whimsical light in his eyes.

"Now now! I have fought out my battle and it is over. How is your son?"

"He's better at last, thank heaven. Coral is staying in Town to be near him. When he is well enough, perhaps in a few weeks' time, they will be married. You did a fine thing, Stephen, when you voluntarily set her free. For Ron's sake I want to thank you. And for my own sake I want to confess something and—be for-

given."

"You, with something to confess!" Stephen smiled. "What is it then?"

"That I brought Ronald down on purpose to—to take Coral from you, in the first place. I—I didn't know how deep your affair with her had gone, and I swear that I had no faintest inkling of who you were. By the time I did know both things, it was too late. Can you forgive me?"

"My dear—" Conway touched her hand lightly. "I can forgive and thank you! I loved the child, no one shall say other than that. But to have married her would have been my life's worst mistake—and hers. So—consider yourself well forgiven, Sue!"

"Stephen! I'm so glad dear! Because without your forgiveness I could never, as long as I lived, have forgiven—myself!"

There were tears behind her long dark lashes that lent an added enchantment to her charming face. As she got up to go Stephen pushed her gently back into her chair.

"You're not going yet, Sue," he said. "That son of yours can do without you for a while. Stay here and have lunch with me."

Susan stayed till the afternoon shadows began to lengthen in the garden round which they were strolling together talking half wistfully of old times. Then at

last she said she must go.

"Will you be very lonely, Stephen?" she asked slowly, glancing at him as he paced beside her. "I mean now Coral has been in your life and gone out of it again? I wonder?"

"Not much more lonely than I was before!" Stephen glanced at her quickly. "I have been a lonely man for a very long time, Sue, my dear. You never realised who it was left me so twenty-five years ago, but someone did!"

Susan's eyes met his with a startled look.

"Steve! You mean—me? Oh, but ours was boy and girl love, no more, my dear!"

"It may have been," Conway admitted. "And I'm not going to pretend I've been mourning you all these years in vain, Susan, for I have not. But all the same, there was just one girl in the world for me for longer after I lost you than I like to think of now. And that's the truth!"

There was a moment's silence while their eyes searched each others before Susan said huskily.

"And I've lived my life, too, Steve. But—need we call it ended yet? Soon Ronald won't need his mother any more and then I shall be alone again. Stephen, my dear, couldn't you and I be happy—together? Didn't someone say 'Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be?' Our best, Stephen, perhaps it might turn out to be!"

She held out her hand to him and he grasped it in both his own.



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EVACUATION PROVINCES

Embassies In Hankow

Considerable Alarm Felt In Hankow

Hankow, To-day.

The various Embassies here have received copies of a Note delivered on Wednesday to their representatives in Peiping by the "provisional government," in which all nationals belonging to neutral powers are urged to evacuate a huge area north of the Yangtse.

In view of the big issues involved, none of the Embassies is willing to offer comment, and it is believed that all have referred the matter to their home governments.

In its scope, the warning is unprecedented.

Previously, the Japanese, before bombing Chinese cities, had only requested neutrals to evacuate specified cities and towns, but the area now involved comprises part or whole of the seven provinces of Kiangsi, Anhwei, Shantung, Honan, Hupeh, Shansi and Szechuen, in which more than 150,000,000 Chinese are believed to live.

A large number of foreign missionaries and educationalists are also in the area.

Considerable alarm is felt over the position in Hankow, where the congested Chinese populace of about 1,000,000 intermingles freely in districts where a large foreign community lives.

Various Embassies are established here, and there are large British, American, French and German interests.—Reuter.

SIR ANDREW TO REPORT ON CONSTITUTION

London, To-day.

In a written answer, the Secretary of State for the Colonies informed a Member of the House of Commons yesterday that he has asked the Governor of Ceylon to report fully on the working of the constitution.

On receipt of the report he will consider whether the appointment of a Commission of Enquiry is the best procedure for considering the various proposals for amendment that he has received from Ceylon.—British Wireless.

Minister Snubs Mr. Mander

London, To-day.

The action of British workers in refusing to load Japanese vessels came up during question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander (Liberal, East Wolverhampton) asked what the Government policy is in regard to workers' refusal to load war and other material destined for Japan.

WAR OFFICE TO RETAIN SIR HERBERT CREEDY

London, To-day.

It is announced by the War Office that at the request of the Secretary for War, Sir Herbert Creedy has consented to serve as Permanent Under-Secretary of State for War beyond the normal age for retirement until the Autumn of 1939.

Sir Herbert, who is 59 years old, has been Permanent Under-Secretary since 1924 and a member and Secretary of the Army Council since 1920.—British Wireless.

Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister for Labour, said that the refusals are a matter for the joint machinery of the industry concerned to consider.

Mr. Mander then asked if the workers were not taking a very natural and human action, and were doing the very thing the Government ought to be doing themselves.

Mr. Brown replied that he did not consider it his or Mr. Mander's duty to act as loud-speaker for Communist propaganda.—Reuter.

In the general interests of the public, the St. John Ambulance Brigade are posting a vaccinating post at the Upper Peak Tram Station on Tuesday, February 6, from 10.30 a.m. till 12.30 p.m.

OF SEVEN DEMANDED

Refer To Governments

TOKYO WILL TAKE CHINA REPARATIONS

Tokyo, To-day.

Japan is determined to get war reparations from China, "even if the Chiang Kai-shek regime fails to pay them," declared the Foreign Minister in the Lower House yesterday.

Mr. Hirota declared that payment of money was not the "only form which indemnities could take," implying that Japan is resolved to obtain compensation in another way if cash is not forthcoming.

In his statement, made in reply to interpellations by Mr. Motoyoshi Baba, of the Tohokai Party, Mr. Hirota rejected the views expressed in some quarters that collection of indemnities would be a difficult matter in the event of prolonged hostilities.

He assured his interrogator that collection of indemnities was part of Japan's "fundamental policy" in the China conflict.

WARSHIP HOLDS UP JUNK

Leung Kau, master of fishing junk, No. 494HW has reported to the Police that on January 23 while off Nam Shan, Chinese Territory, a Japanese warship came in sight. Twelve sailors approached his junk in a motor boat and took away two old rifles and 200 rounds of ammunition. No injury was done to anybody and no damage to the junk.

Turning to the question of compensation for Japanese residents in China, Mr. Hirota said: "In view of the fact that early restoration of losses suffered by Japanese in China would benefit the Japanese Government will take effective measures to assist the rehabilitation programme on their behalf. Damages suffered by Japanese residents in China are not a private problem."

Mr. Hirota also revealed that the Government is planning to establish a "powerful central organ to promote cultural relations between Japanese and Chinese."—Reuter.

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JAPAN'S CONFESSIONS

Whether or not the Japanese Government approves disclosure at this time, the Diet's insatiable quest for information regarding the realities of Japanese intentions in China is making clear the full extent and range of those ambitions. The plans disclosed in yesterday's meeting in the Lower House represent an open admission of predatory operations. Japan proposes to assume absolute economic domination, taking complete control of every branch of trade and industry and development that suits her purpose, with larger enterprises under Japanese State control, private Japanese initiative free to operate in other fields of exploitation, what is left over being granted (presumably) to the Chinese inhabitants to provide for their own economic well-being. This Government, too, which makes a fetish of "Chinese insincerity," blandly tells the world that there is no intention, for the present, of inviting undesirable complications with foreign Powers by attempting to enforce such a programme in the Shanghai area, but Japanese State-Controlled enterprise will eventually be established in Shanghai. For once in a while, pretence is cast aside and the Powers are invited to contemplate the process of Japanese consolidation of their position in other parts of occupied China until Tokyo feels itself powerful enough to walk into Shanghai and dispose of foreign interests there with a "try and stop us" gesture.

If Britain, France or the United States, or any other country with interests in the Far East were under any delusions regarding the Japanese programme, the official Diet statements should finally dispose of them. This, plainly, is more than a war for a sphere of influence; it is a carefully prepared and planned aggression whose object is firstly the division of the Celestial Empire into a series of feudatory and tributary States on the model of Manchukuo, and secondly the expulsion of European (and incidentally American) interests in the Far East.

It is a policy of sheer force without any plausible pretext of right or equity—to say nothing of the omission of the mere formality of a declaration of war—and as Tory quarters in London are now beginning to put it, we shall do well to recognise that we are back in the iron age where the only argument is victory. Japan apparently believes that war is a profitable investment, and it remains to be seen whether her philosophy can justify itself by success. If it does, it means an end to any hope of international law or of peaceful diplomacy; and that in itself must intensify both the disquiet and the armaments race in Europe.

What the Powers chiefly concerned about it propose to do, if they intend to do anything beyond watching their slow but inevitable eclipse, remains a matter of doubt. Geneva in the last few days has been the scene of consultations with the seeking of ways and means to lend material aid to China as their main objective. The prospect of active intervention, however, is nil. It is possible that the Soviet Government did make the offer attributed to it, of its willingness to rescue the situation in the Far East in return for a British guarantee of the immunity of Moscow's European borders, but this was an offer which demanded more of Mr. Eden than the present state of public opinion in Britain would admit—and any other steps in substitution demanded the concurrence and co-operation of the United States, in opposition to American public opinion. Indignant over attacks on her flag though she is, America is still under the impression that Britain is guiding her into a dangerously false position, and unless directly attacked, which is in the last degree unlikely, the prevalent mood of isolation is certain to persist in spite of the stresses of the present time. It is not inconceivable, however, that covertly at all events, increased aid to China will be forthcoming from all the Powers interested in preserving China from the fate Japan intends for her. Mr. Eden, questioned on this point in the House of Commons, said he was unable to make a statement. The wording of the League resolution was sufficiently elastic to authorise any form of individual action in support of the League's condemnation of Japan. Dr. Wellington Koo's reservations suggested, rather than failure to achieve, a desire to see the effect of any understanding that was reached.

JAPANESE VERSION OF PEACE OVERTURES

Chiang's Request For Definition Of Terms

TROOPS IN CONTROL OF CANTON

Canton, To-day.

Canton awakened to an atmosphere of uncertainty this morning.

There is still no information to explain the tension but soldiers with fixed bayonets at present are patrolling the streets all over the city. The telephone service in Canton has been disrupted. — Reuter.

The city is full of the most sensational rumours including the suggestion that internal political trouble is behind developments.

It is believed now, however, that the Canton authorities, apprehensive of an early attack on South China, are in the throes of a spy scare, which explains the extraordinary activities of the military authorities. — Our Own Correspondent.

BOOM CLOSED

It is learned from authoritative quarters that the Canton River boom was closed during the night and that the passage of river shipping is now impossible.

No steamers sailed from Hong Kong for either Canton or Kowloon this morning, although the wharves were crowded with passengers and their luggage, slowly trickling away at 11.30 a.m. although many still stayed in the hope that something would occur to enable them to sail after all.

ONE DESTROYER

The s.s. Taming, which arrived in Hong Kong late last night, reported that the only Japanese warship now to be seen in the delta is destroyer No. 16, which is cruising in the vicinity of Sampanchau.

SHIPPING STOPPED

The Naval authorities in Hong Kong have received information from the West River patrol to the effect that the Chinese military authorities are guarding the Beding Field Barrier, which is just north of Bocca Tigris, and will allow no shipping to pass.

All Hong Kong bound ships which left the Kwangtung capital this morning have returned to Canton.

Obstinate Attitude Of "Chungking" Authorities

Tokyo, To-day.

Following the occupation of Nanking, Japan was informed by Germany of the Chungking Government's readiness to open peace negotiations, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, told the Diet in a lengthy review of the abortive efforts to bring the dispute to an end.

Ever since commencement of the conflict, he said, the Government had given the Chungking administration every opportunity to reconsider its attitude.

Mr. Hirota declared that neither the League of Nations nor the signatories of the Nine-Power Pact had anything to do with the current dispute, and Japan had insisted on direct negotiation with China.

He added that this conviction had been communicated by the Government to Britain, the United States and other Powers.

A few of the last had kept the Japanese Government informed of the views held by General Chiang Kai-shek's administration.

OBSTINATE STAND

Mr. Hirota continued: "China, however, assumed a strong and obstinate stand," and, declining to enter into direct negotiations with Japan, appealed to the League and the Nine-Power signatories.

Japan, through the good offices of the German Government, then informed the Chungking administration of the conditions on which she would discontinue operations "if China wished for peace."

CHIANG'S REQUEST

General Chiang Kai-shek asked for an explanation of these terms and received it, but "China failed to demonstrate her desire for peace on the conditions offered by this country."

"Germany's mediation was thus set at naught, and the Government was obliged to announce that it

would not any longer deal with the National Government, on January 16."

TOHOKAI ATTITUDE

Mr. Yutani, of the reactionary Tohokai Party, then suggested that the Government should not have conducted peace talks while troops were engaged in severe clashes with the Chinese forces.

Mr. Hirota replied that at the time troops were fighting, China, according to information supplied to Japan by Germany, was maintaining a strong attitude. — Reuter.

JAPANESE CASUALTY FIGURES

Tokyo, To-day. The War Minister announced in the Lower House yesterday that the Japanese troops killed in China to date totalled approximately 20,000. — Reuter.

CHEFOO GRENADE INCIDENT

Shanghai, To-day.

According to Japanese reports, an incident marked the assumption of authority by the Japanese at Chefoo yesterday, when a Chinese policeman, one of the force that was being disarmed, threw a hand grenade at Japanese soldiers.

The man was shot dead on the spot, and the missile caused no damage.

Otherwise, the same reports state, disarming of Chefoo's 800 policemen and their disbandment, proceeded without a hitch.

Japanese sentries are now posted at each street corner, and Japanese soldiers have occupied all official Chinese buildings, including the Customs, taxation office, Central Bank of China and the Bank of Communications. Japanese flags are now flying above these offices. — Reuter.

Another Experimental Black-Out To Be Held In Hong Kong

The "China Mail" has been given to understand that a further experimental "blackout" will be held sometime towards the end of this month or in the early days of March.

As in the last "blackout," the greatest care is being taken to insure, as near as possible, that no illuminations of any description will

be visible from the air. It is likely that the blackout will extend over a period of four hours, probably from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

It is considered highly probable that greater stringency will be observed with lights on vehicles. Whereas official circles were highly satisfied with building lights, during the last blackout, it was considered that vehicular lights were not sufficiently dim.

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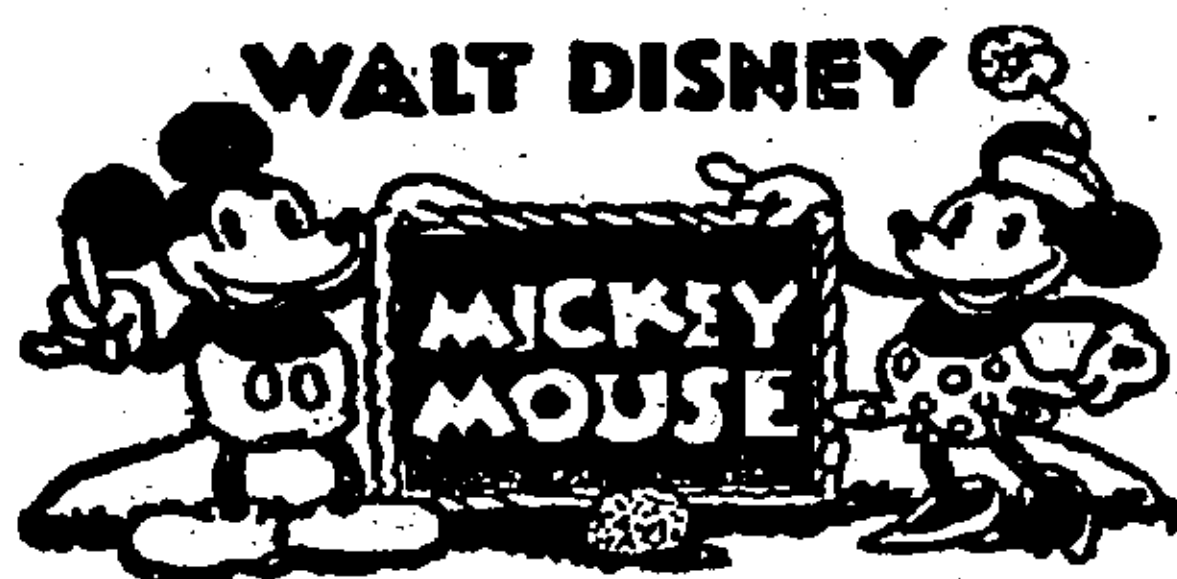
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NEW FORM OF JAP

Claim Right To Control Press Messages To S'hai

London, To-day.

Questioned in the House of Commons yesterday by Capt. Peter Macdonald (Conservative, Isle of Wight) in regard to censorship in Shanghai, the Foreign Secretary, in a written reply, said that the Japanese authorities in Shanghai are claiming to censor messages from Britain to British newspapers in Shanghai.

He, however, was not aware that any such telegrams had been censored.

On the other hand, the Consul-General in Shanghai was protesting in writing to the Japanese Consul-General against unreasonable exercise of censorship in respect of two press telegrams from Shanghai.

Mr. Eden said that the question of further representation in Nanking while the Consul would be on furlough, was at present being considered.—Reuter.

CHINESE CONFIDENCE IN GERMAN ADVISERS

Hankow, To-day.

"The Chinese Government has complete confidence in its German military advisers, and is highly satisfied with their services," declared a spokesman of the National Government in an interview yesterday.

The declaration was made in refutation of a remark alleged to have been made by a certain political observer in an interview with foreign pressmen, to the effect that German military advisers serving with the Chinese army had not made a contribution of any value, either in organisation or tactics of the Chinese forces.

The spokesman said: "The observer's remark was obviously at variance with the facts that the German military advisers are well trained and experienced in modern warfare."

DEVOTION TO DUTY

"In the service of China they have manifested both loyalty and sincerity, and their contributions have been numerous."

"The Government has complete confidence in them, in view of the traditional friendly relations between China and Germany, and the Chinese Government feels highly satisfied with the great devotion to duty of its German advisers."—Reuter.

MR. SUN FO'S HOME SEALED BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, To-day.

The private home of Mr. Sun Fo, at present in Moscow, has been sealed up by the Japanese.

The home is situated in Chinese territory off an extra-Settlement road in the western suburbs within the British defence sector.

So far the Japanese authorities appear to have made no attempt to seize Chinese property within the Concession or Settlement south of Soochow Creek.

AWAITING TEST CASE

Until a test case arises it is difficult to predict the attitude the foreign authorities will take. There is no doubt that unless obstacles are placed in the way, the Japanese will seize all private homes belonging to Chinese officials.

The imposing home of Mr. T. V. Soong is expected, in this event, to be among the very first seized.—Reuter.

PEACE IN CHEFOO

Peace and quiet in Chefoo following occupation of the town by Japanese troops yesterday.

The usual number of shops remain closed, but the telephone exchange is functioning.

Owing to the Japanese troops, 100 — a detachment from four Japanese battalions — are now patrolling the town.

Both marines and the Japanese troops are now patrolling the town.

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JAPANESE RAIDS IN KWANGTUNG

Canton, To-day.
Scores of Japanese planes
raided Kwangtung in relays al-
most continuously throughout
yesterday.

Besides the Yu-Han Railway and
Canton-Kowloon Railway, districts
in the East River zone including
Chaoyang, Huilai were targets of
air attack. Several Japanese
planes scouted over Swatow twice
but dropped no bombs, while Amoy
was subjected to heavy air bom-
bing, causing damage to houses in-
volving scores of civilian casual-
ties.

Various wild rumours are in
circulation in Canton including
the allegation that Japanese marin-
es have landed at a certain islet
near Kongmoon, which is, however,
flatly denied by the Canton military
authorities.—Hua Nan.

attended occupation of the city
yesterday, the operation being car-
ried out peacefully.

Chefoo is the last important
town north of Shanghai to fall
completely into Japanese hands. —
Reuter.

TURBULENT DISCUSSIONS IN CONGRESS

Washington, To-day.

Charges of window dressing and
rigging the proceedings so as to
endorse the Administration's policy,
were hurled against the Govern-
ment by a minority of small
business men in Congress yesterday
who ridiculed the resolution
condemning monopoly adopted by
Congress.

Observers point out that the re-
solution repeats, almost word for
word, some of the recent pro-
nouncements of members of the Ad-
ministration who advocated a re-
newed anti-Trust drive.

The resolution calls on the Gov-
ernment to appropriate funds for
the Department of Justice and the
Federal Trade Commission to
promptly and vigorously enforce
the anti-Trust laws.

TURBULENT DEBATE

Such laws will be further revis-
ed so as to clarify practices which
must be eliminated, and increase
penalties upon violators of the
amended laws.

After turbulent proceedings,
marked by repeated interruptions,
Congress adjourned, a number of
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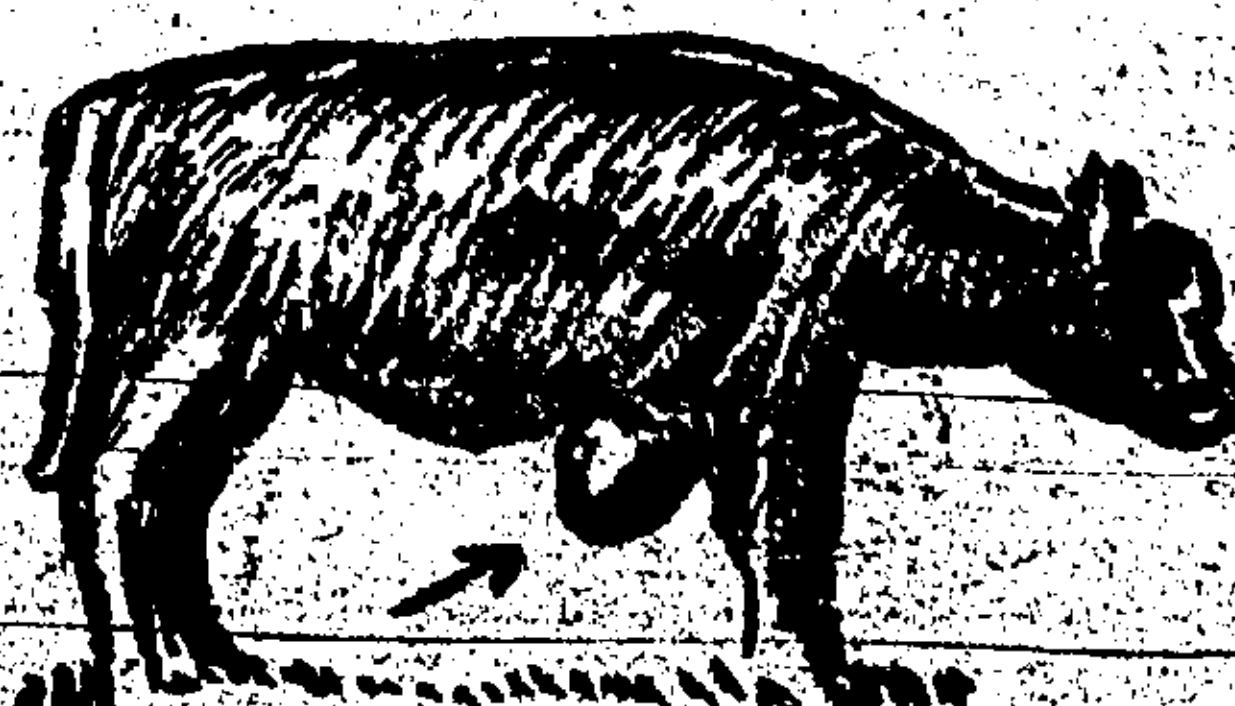


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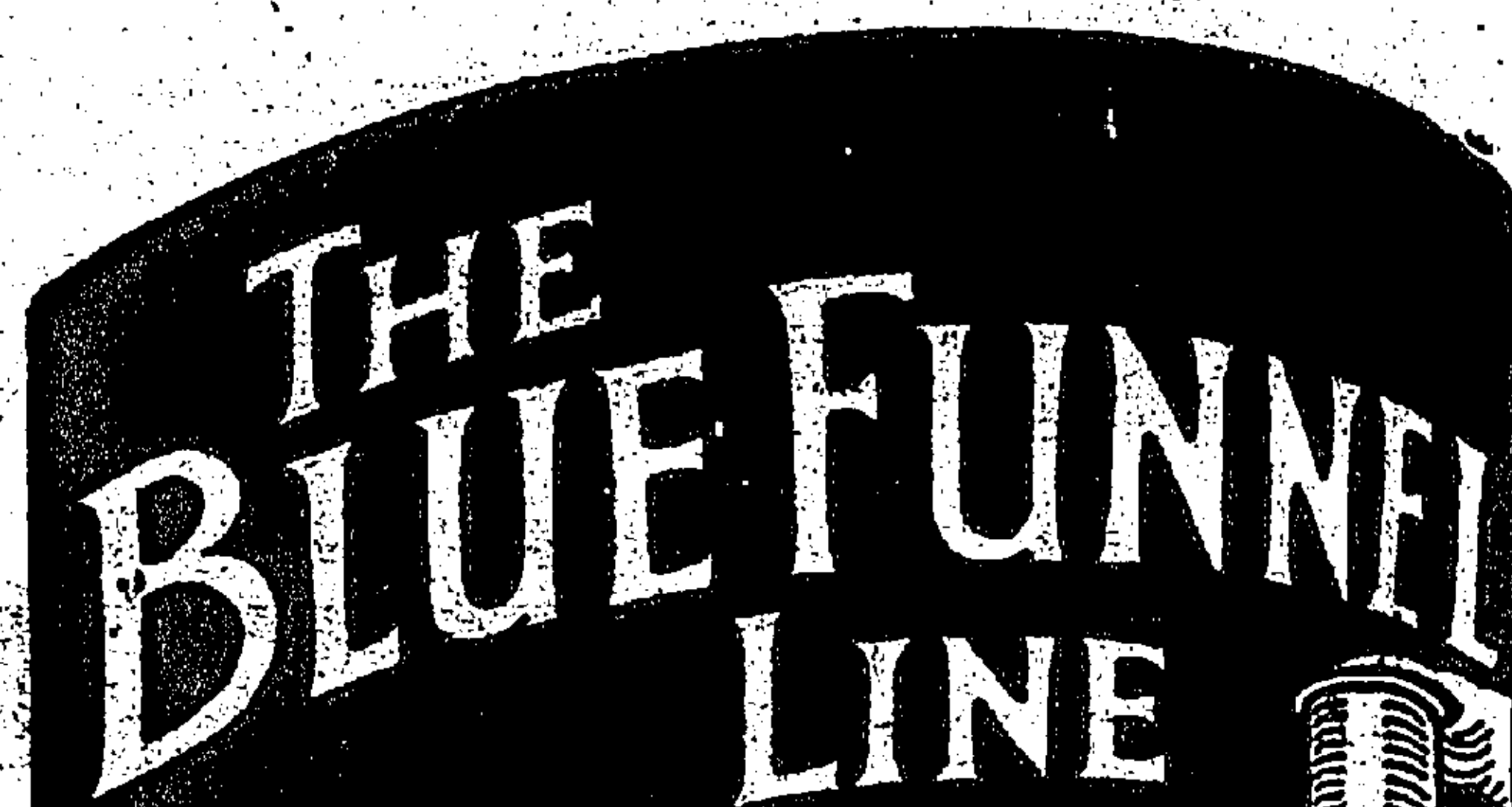
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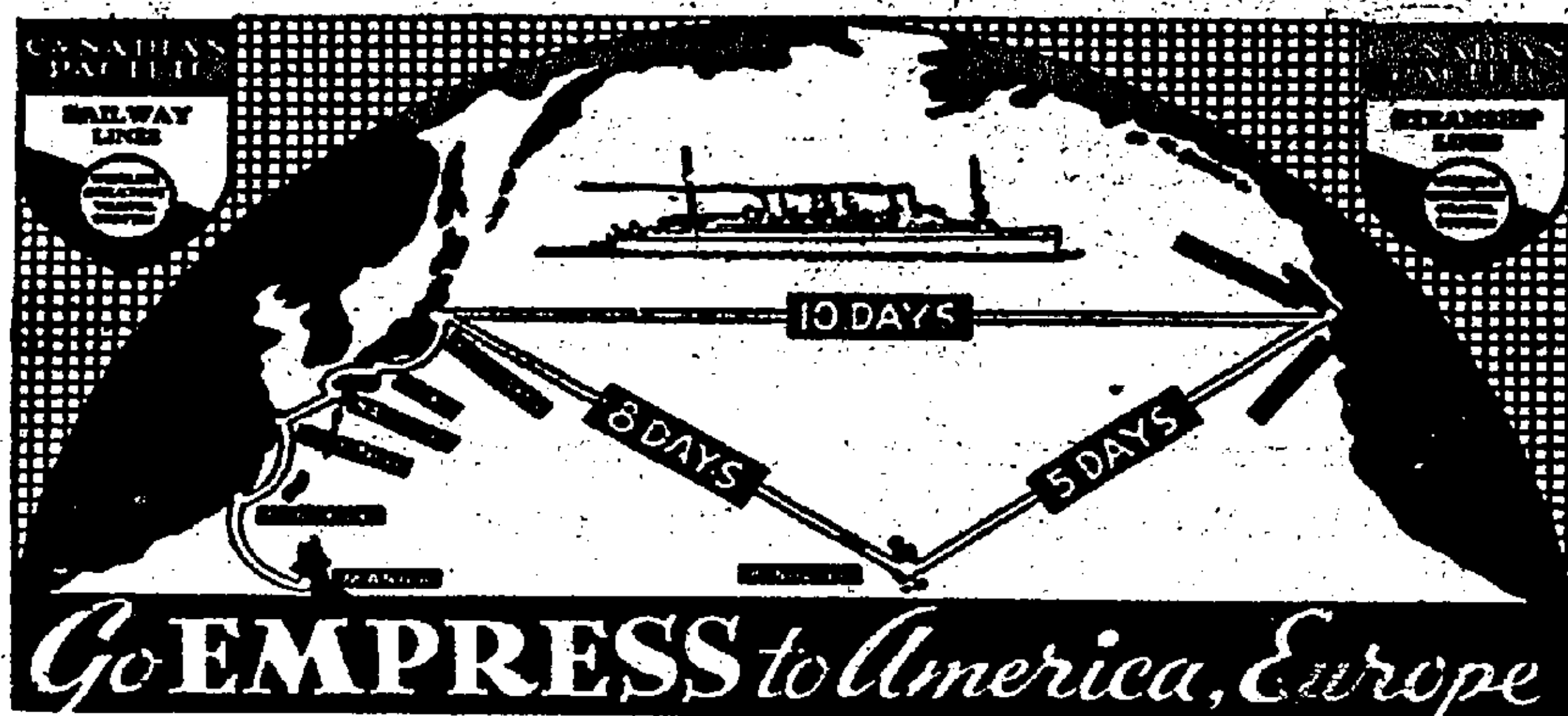
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In connection with the celebration of "Good Press Day" a special religious service will be held at St. Joseph's Church, at 4.00 o'clock. Rev. Fr. G. Byrne S. J. will preach on "Mind Starvation." His Lordship the Bishop will attend and will afterwards visit the Exhibition.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1485 sa.
Bank of East Asia \$82 b.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$260 sa.
Union Ins. \$500 sa.
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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 20½ and forward at 19-13/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$5.0085 and the New York on London rate £-U.S.\$5.007%.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Philippine Islands against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of cholera have been removed in so far as the cabin passengers are concerned.

WALL STREET CRASH YESTERDAY

New York, To-day.

Many stocks crashed to the lowest levels since 1935 in yesterday's trading on Wall Street, with losses to five or more points.

Selling in virtually all groups was started by a sharp break in American Telephone and Telegraph Company shares.

Brokers attributed the decline partly to rumours regarding the forthcoming Federal Communication Commission's Report on the Company, though there are no indications that an adverse report is expected.

The market closed quiet.—Reuter.

CLOUSTON'S BID FOR NEW RECORD

London, To-day.

Within a few days Flying-Officer A. E. Clouston and Mr. Victor Ricketts will take off from Croydon Aerodrome on a record attempt to Australia, New Zealand and back.

To-day their aeroplane — the record breaking De Havilland Comet — was named "Australian Anniversary" by Lady Weigall, wife of Sir Archibald Weigall, late Governor of South Australia and the President of the Royal Empire Society.

Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner attended the simple ceremony at Croydon aerodrome.—British Wireless.

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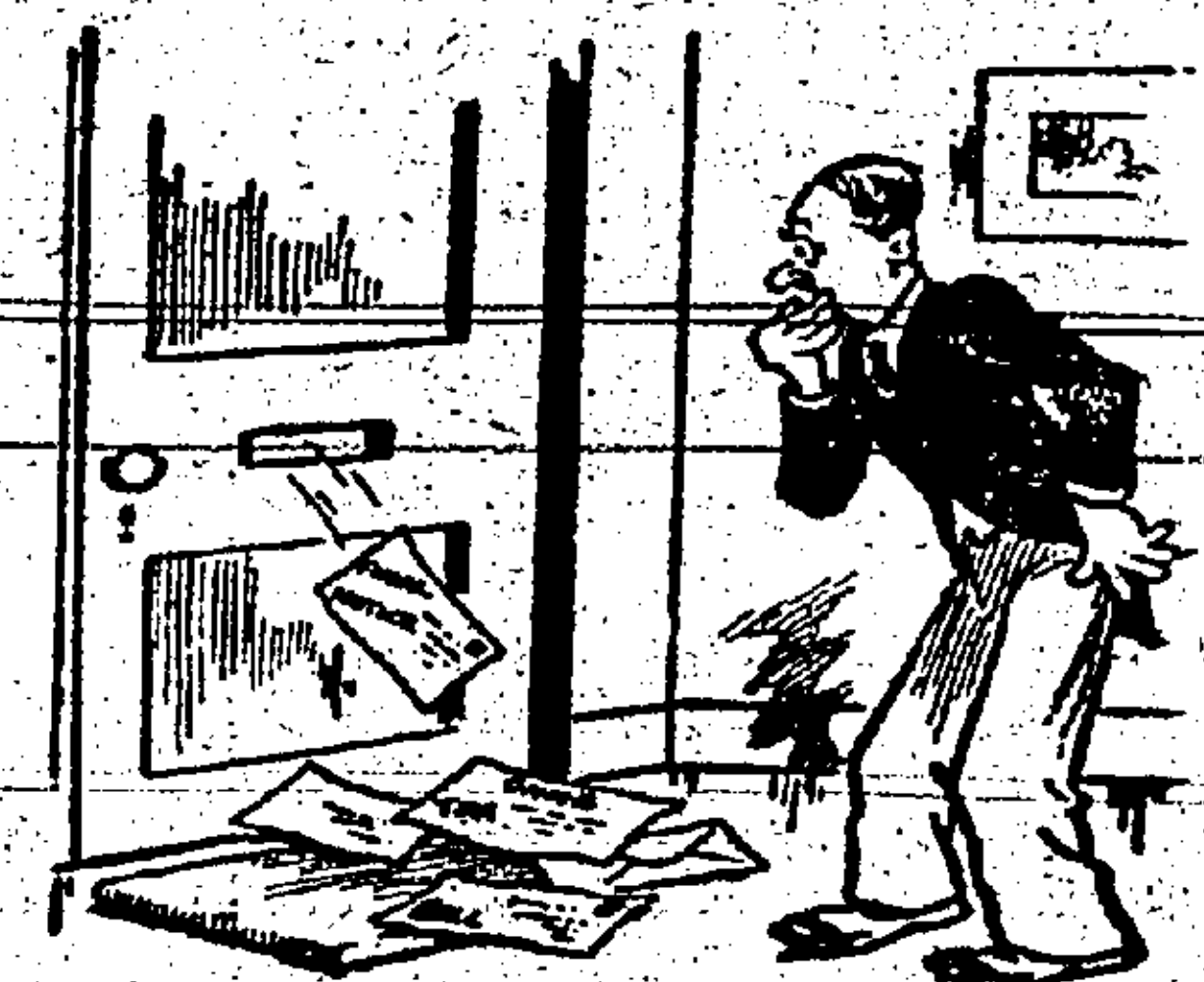
Feb./March 22½ b. down ¼.

April/June 23½ b. down ¾.

July/Sept. 23½ b. down ¾.

Market:—Easier.

A new Jardine steamer, the s.s. Liwo, built at the Kowloon Docks, is to be launched on Thursday next.



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HARMONY EVE MAIN CONTENDER FROM SASSOON STABLE?

Desert Chief And Viber Offer Challenge

A "DARK HORSE" TRAINED IN S'HAU

(By "RAPIER")

IT has been my privilege for the past two years to furnish notes on local racing for "China Mail" readers, and I am happy to be able to resume my task. Having been in close attendance during early morning gallops, the time is opportune to discuss prospects among the various classes of ponies now being prepared for the forthcoming annual race week.

Preparations are well advanced; programmes will shortly be available, and all that remains is the arrival of the customary contingent of Jockeys from Shanghai. Some of them are already here, others will follow soon, and in due course I hope to be able to give full information as to how owners will fare with regard to jockeys.

It is generally conceded that the Hong Kong Derby, the Blue Riband of the local Turf, is the one event of paramount importance in which owners set their hearts on winning. It will be contested by griffins, China ponies that have never faced the starter before, and I now propose to start a tentative discussion on the prospects for the Derby, leaving information of a more definite nature for a later article.

The Derby for the past three years has been won by the Hem & Sassoon Stables, i.e. Herod, Honeymoon Eve and Happy Eve. Having done so well, they are naturally keen on making a great effort to continue with the sequence of wins and a "Hat-Trick" for the Sassoon Stable. As evidence of their determination to do so, it must be noted that their stable jockey, Mr. F. "Peanut" Marshall, came down quite early this year, and has since been actively engaged in getting his charges into fighting condition.

Out of a formidable string of new ponies, they have only entered three for the Derby, i.e. Harmony Eve, Half Moon Eve and Handicap Eve. The first named was brought down to Hong Kong before the 1937 Meeting, and has accordingly been given every opportunity of careful training.

I believe that Harmony Eve will be the Sassoon's nomination for the Derby. It is sturdily built and has the appearance of a pony with the requisite stamina to last the distance.

Half Moon Eve is the next best, but it is probably not sufficiently well advanced to carry the Sassoon colours in this important event. It is definitely good, and should account for some of the races of minor importance. Handicap Eve has the appearance of a great racer, but I am not too impressed with its movement at the moment, though if it shows further improvement in training it will demand more attention later.

There is another pony belonging to the Sassoon connection, Humdrum Eve, which has not been en-



tered for the Derby, but I feel confident that it will figure prominently in the sprint events. This pony is worth bearing in mind for the Maiden Stakes.

MR. EU'S HOPES

After the lamentable failure of Rosemary last year, Mr. Eu Tong Sen does not appear to be in the least disappointed, as he has again entered the battle with apparently greater determination to carry off this major event for the first time in his racing career.

There is no denying the fact that he has a good chance, especially with Desert Chief, whose training has been kept a close secret. In addition, Cameronian and Lucky are also entered, but I expect Desert Chief to carry his colours to the post.

The stable trainer has not provided rail fans with any real opportunity of judging the merits of Desert Chief, and it has accordingly been regarded as a "dark horse."

In my estimation, should there be any element of surprise in the Derby, it will come from Desert Chief, so watch out for it. Cameronian's easy movement gives me the impression that it is more suitably equipped over short distances, and if sent out I expect to see it giving Humdrum Eve a great fight in the Maidens Stakes.

Regarding Lucky, any one looking at it would reach the conclusion



that it has the makings of a great racer. It resembles Bear Claw in type, and it should have a good deal to say in some of the other events.

DUNBAR STABLE

Since winning the Derby with Liberty Bay, Mr. L. Dunbar has not met with any success in this event, and I very much doubt whether this honour will come to him this year. The best in his string of new griffins is undoubtedly Confusion Bay, which appears to me to be somewhat delicately built for such a gruelling race.

Here again, it has not been fully extended in training, and probably after two remaining weeks of hard work it will mature into a serious contender for the Derby.

Mrs. Dunbar has Nokomis, which seems quite impressive, but I rather suspect that it will go out in less important events.

MRS. PEARCE'S CHANCES

The Dynasty Stable last won the Derby with Trentbridge, which was, in fact, entered by Mrs. T. E. Pearce, and since then they have not been within reach of the elusive Blue Riband.

Mrs. Pearce has Hyndford Bridge this year, and King's Prejudice has been entered by "Dynasty." This stable will have the services of Mr. Needa as jockey, and under his control developments may be expected.

CREDITABLE TIME

Mr. Li Lan Sang has entered two new griffins, Sunlight View and Moonlight View. The former does not appeal to me, but the latter has captivated the imagination of rail fans as a potential Derby winner in view of its recent performance over the full distance in the creditable time of 3.18.

I have seen this pony in action, and cannot visualise it providing any serious challenge against some of the better looking contenders.

The pony should be borne in mind, however, especially as it will be ridden by Mr. T. L. Wong.

"HARBURD" STABLE NO MORE

In 1936, Mr. B. W. Bradbury entered into partnership with Mr. Gilbert Harriman, and the "Harburd" stable came into being. It will be recalled that Royal Scot created a good deal of discussion as a Derby prospect that year, and its defeat by Honeymoon Eve and King's Lead was a source of disappointment.

This partnership has been dissolved, and this year Mr. Bradbury has entered the arena entirely on his own.

VIBER FOR DERBY

His new griffins are named Jober and Viber, and I expect the last named to be his nomination for the Derby. Viber is the better of the two, and it will have to be reckoned with as a possible candidate for honours in the Derby. Mr. B. L. Tao has been booked to ride Viber.

FEAR OF STARTING GATE

Mr. C. B. Brown, the genial Secretary of the Hong Kong Jockey

Club, has in Pinfarthings a fast moving animal which will win many races for him over short distances, but I cannot recommend it for anything beyond a mile. It is frightened of the starting barrier, at the moment.

Lancashire Lass, belonging to Mr. A. Bower, has been talked about for some time past as being capable of doing great things, if not actually creating a surprise in the Derby. It was not quite fit a short while ago, but is rapidly making good progress, and I expect that by the time racing comes round, it will be in condition to don colours for its genial owner.

How good Lancashire Lass actually is remains to be seen.

I consider it among the top-notchers.

THREE NEWCOMERS

Sir V. M. Grayburn will be represented by either Elizabeth or Fowey. Both of them have not taken an active part in much hard training, and more will be known of them later. Kong Bros. have three new ponies, A Star, Forgotten Star and Lovely Star. I have no idea which one will go out in the Derby, but I doubt whether they are capable of causing an upset.

Mrs. Kwok Hin Wang has a new griffin which she has named "J. C." She has pinned her faith on this pony in the great race, but I think we need waste no energy in speculating on its chances. Mr. Li Po Chun has three new ponies in training, the most outstanding of which are Just in Time and Advancing Time.

TRAINED IN SHANGHAI

The former is reputed to have been well trained in Shanghai, and its late arrival seems to lend colour to the story. Encouraged by his success with Expansion Time, which came in second in last year's Derby, Mr. Li hopes to be able to be in the limelight again, this time probably represented by Just In Time.

The Why Stable's ponies have been left in the capable hands of Mr. H. C. Pih, and I think National Pride is about the best, with National Defence close behind. I cannot, however, place much reliance on either of them.

The Giant Panda, belonging to Messrs. Tester and Abraham, is not bad, but it has not the stamp of a classy animal.

AN OLD CONNECTION

It is no doubt within the recollection of race-goers that some years ago Mr. Moller used to ride in Hong Kong, and it will come as good news to know that his son, Mr. R. B. Moller, will be making his initial appearance on our local track.

He has entered Silky Light, which is reputed to be a "smasher." In appearance it gives a good impression, but what it is capable of doing I cannot yet say. I recommend keeping this pony in mind.

I have given a fairly comprehensive review of ponies that are likely to figure prominently in races confined to griffins, China ponies of this season. In summarising, I would say that the following are about the best:—

HARMONY EVE
DESERT CHIEF
MOONLIGHT VIEW
VIBER
LANCASHIRE LASS
CONFUSION BAY
HALF MOON EVE
HUMDRUM EVE
CAMERONIAN
SILKY LIGHT
JUST IN TIME

JUNIOR CRICKET AVERAGES TO DATE

Mulcahy And Daniells Advance In Batting

L. G. GOSANO RETURNS REMARKABLE BOWLING FIGURES

"PARSON" POPE HAS MOST WICKETS

(By "ADREM")

SINCE I last published these averages, three matches have been played with the result that several players, who figured prominently a month ago, have fallen away, whilst several new stars have arisen.

L. S. A. Fynn, has left the Colony for Singapore and his figures have not altered. He reigns supreme at the head of the batsmen, as he is likely to do for the remainder of the season, with the phenomenal average of 65.00 for an aggregate of 257, in only five innings.

Rapley, of Craigengower, has dropped away somewhat, but is still well up with the leaders, while Mulcahy of the K.C.C., thanks to an undefeated 88 against Civil Service, and H. C. Daniells, who scored 100 not out for the opposition in the same match, now figure in the first four.

YOUTHFUL L. G. GOSANO, OF RECREIO, IS NOW STRONGLY COMPETING WITH C. POPE, OF POLICE, FOR THE REPUTATION OF BEING THE MOST CONSISTENT BOWLER IN THIS SECTION OF THE LEAGUE. HE HAS RISEN FROM THE THIRD TO THE TOP POSITION, HAVING IN HIS LAST TWO GAMES, CAPTURED AN ADDITIONAL 11 CHEAP WICKETS.

Pope, however, still has the greatest number of scalps in his bag with 32 victims, closely followed by Ldg. Wtr. Jeffery, of the Navy, with 27. Hatfield's figures have not altered as he has been promoted.

SECOND DIVISION—BATTING

(Qualification, two completed innings, average of 15 and over)

	Inns.	H.S.	Not Out	Aggr.	Aver.
L.S.A. Fynn (Navy)	5	77	1	257	64.25
E. A. Clayton (Navy)	2	48*	1	48	48.00
H. C. Daniells (C.S.C.C.)	4	100*	1	144	48.00
W. Mulcahy (K.C.C.)	6	88*	1	231	46.20
W. Rapley (C.C.C.)	7	89*	1	241	40.17
Pte. Gantzer (Army "A")	2	28*	1	38	38.00
J. Tsui (University)	4	95	0	152	38.00
D. Hung (C.C.C.)	6	49	0	193	32.17
Ismail Ali (I.R.C.)	7	66	1	184	30.67
K. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	7	31*	2	148	29.60
R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	5	88*	1	117	29.25
W. L. Clarke (Police)	5	75	1	114	28.50
C. W. E. Bishop (H.K.C.C.)	6	55*	1	142	28.40
V. C. Bond (H.K.C.C.)	2	23	1	28	28.00
H. P. Lim (C.C.C.)	3	50	0	82	27.33
C.P.O. Hutley (Navy)	4	45*	1	81	27.00
S/Sgt. Paterson (Army "B")	8	40	1	176	25.14
S.M. Northcott (Army "A")	5	41	0	125	25.00
G. A. Lee (C.C.C.)	7	48	2	121	24.20
R. Singh (University)	5	10	4	24	24.00
R. S. W. Paterson (H.K.C.C.)	6	53	0	144	24.00
Pte. Chatton (Army "A")	2	46	0	48	24.00
B. R. Iranee (C.C.C.)	7	30*	4	68	22.67
K. M. Baxter (K.C.C.)	7	60	1	133	22.17
H. J. Armstrong (H.K.C.C.)	2	40	0	44	22.00
L/Cpl. Moore (Army "B")	2	27	0	44	22.00
H. M. Xavier (C. de R.)	4	42*	1	63	21.00
A. Kitchell (C.C.C.)	6	19*	4	42	21.00
J. L. Stephens (Police)	6	61	1	100	20.00
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	7	37	1	117	19.50
Sgt. Baker (Army "A")	5	66	0	93	18.60
P.O. Vickerstaffe (Navy)	2	23	0	37	18.50
D. S. Blake (H.K.C.C.)	3	28	0	54	18.00
Sgt. Paynter (Army "B")	6	76	0	108	18.00
Q.M.S. Eaton (Army "A")	6	46	0	107	17.84
A. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	6	57	0	105	17.50
P. D. Crawley (C.S.C.C.)	7	27*	3	69	17.25
A. E. Carey (Police)	7	43	0	120	17.14
C. E. Gahagan (H.K.C.C.)	3	32	0	48	16.00
Ldg. Tel. Woods (Navy)	3	28	0	47	15.67
Sgt. Bennett (Army "A")	8	47	0	125	15.63
Sgt. Bloomfield (Army "A")	6	27	2	62	15.50
E. J. R. Mitchell (H.K.C.C.)	6	58	0	93	15.50
K. S. Oh (University)	6	48	0	90	15.00
P. H. Loughlin (Police)	7	41	0	105	15.00

*Signifies not out.

SECOND DIVISION—BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 or under).

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
L. G. Gosano (C. de R.)	62.1	19	122	25	4.88
Pte. Hatfield (Army "A")	31.4	12	67	13	5.15
Pte. Chatton (Army "A")	11.3	3	27	5	5.40
C. Pope (Police)	96.1	24	234	32	7.31
Lt. Rankin (Navy)	9	1	22	3	7.33
E. A. R. Alves (C. de R.)	55	22	98	13	7.54
A. E. Carey (Police)	19	3	54	7	7.71
Ldg. Tel. Woods (Navy)	28.5	2	85	10	8.50
Ldg. Wtr. Church (Navy)	31.1	9	69	8	8.63
W. Rapley (C.C.C.)	15	5	35	4	8.75
C. W. E. Bishop (H.K.C.C.)	10	2	35	4	8.75
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	30	1	116	13	8.92
Ldg. Wtr. Jeffery (Navy)	81.5	14	243	27	9.00
K. L. Ng (University)	69.1	15	199	22	9.05
A. Kitchell (C.C.C.)	19.4	4	74	8	9.25
Cpl. Thompson (Army "B")	29	3	57	6	9.50
Spr. Hoddinott (Army "B")	20	1	89	9	9.89
B. R. Iranee (C.C.C.)	58	14	149	15	9.93
J. Tsui (University)	20	3	80	8	10.00
Sgt. Goodger (Army "A")	62	6	207	20	10.35
F. E. E. Booker (C.S.C.C.)	34	1	117	11	10.64
N. P. Fox (H.K.C.C.)	29	5	111	10	11.10
Sig. Parsons (Army "B")	49	12	156	14	11.14
G. E. R. Divett (H.K.C.C.)	33	10	115	10	11.50
V. C. Bond (H.K.C.C.)	18	3	59	5	11.80
H. T. Barma (I.R.C.)	4	0	37	3	12.33
Q. M. S. Eaton (Army "A")	23	3	75	6	12.50
Coombes (Army "B")	55.5	8	219	17	12.88
A. B. Dale (Navy)	21	2	65	5	13.00
B. G. Baker (Police)	57.5	10	185	14	13.22
G. Hong Choy (University)	13	1	53	4	13.25
R. G. Robertson (C.S.C.C.)	46	7	159	12	13.25
Sgt. Bloomfield (Army "A")	27.5	2	107	8	13.38
Ismail Ali (I.R.C.)	67.1	5	308	23	13.39
D. S. Robb (H.K.C.C.)	41	9	135	10	13.50
R. Singh (University)	19.3	1	86	6	14.33
M. R. Swain (H.K.C.C.)	40	8	132	9	14.67
J. F. MacGowan (C.S.C.C.)	43	9	147	10	14.70
Cpl. Hopcroft (Army "B")	33.4	7	89	6	14.84
C. H. Teoh (University)	30.3	3	119	8	14.88
Lt. Comdr. Studholme (Navy)	9	0	30	2	15.00
G. Winch (C.C.C.)	60	9	210	14	15.00
A. V. Gosano (C. de R.)	25	6	77	5	15.40
F. H. Carvalho (C. de R.)	17.2	1	79	5	15.80
W. L. McKenzie (K.C.C.)	60	7	194	12	16.17
C. B. R. Sargent (K.C.C.)	40.5	3	165	10	16.50
C. Haynes (C.S.C.C.)	40.2	5	118	7	16.86
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	52	8	171	10	17.10
W. Stoker (H.K.C.C.)	26	6	70	4	17.50
J. M. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	62	13	214	12	17.83
J. R. Luke (K.C.C.)	52	6	154	9	18.22
Pte. Gantzer (Army "A")	16.5	1	77	4	19.25
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At a meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Hockey Association, held last night at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, it was announced that the Interport contest between Hong Kong and Macao would probably take place in the second week in April and that Macao were being notified to that effect.

A letter was received from Macao to the effect that they were unable to reply to the Colony invitation as they experienced difficulty in financing the trip to the Colony. Happily, however, this difficulty had now been overcome and the Macao Hockey Club had pleasure in accepting the Colony's invitation.

Capt. E. H. Reeder, R.A.S.C., was elected new Vice-President (Army) of the Association in succession to Capt. Kimm, who has left the Colony, while Lieut. G. J. G. Douglas, R.E., was elected a member of the Hockey Umpires Board, to fill the vacancy caused by Capt. Kimm's departure.

It was also decided last night to hold the International Tournament sometime in April and the following were elected to represent the probable competing nations:

England: Mr. D. T. Smith (C.B.A.).
Scotland: Mr. R. Henderson (Y.M.C.A.).
Ireland: Mr. C. Wall (Police).
India: Lieut. Pritam Nath (Rajputana Rifles).
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China: Mr. Samuel Ling (H. K. University).

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Will all players who intend to take part in the series, and who are qualified to represent these various nations, please communicate at their earliest convenience with the various representatives named above.



MIXED FOURSOMES GOLF TOURNEY

First Round Draw

The First Round draw for the Mixed Foursomes Golf Competition of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club has been made.

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Subscribers may not play on Sundays or holidays, and the winners should enter the results in the Mixed (or Ladies') Club House.

The following is the draw:

Byes into the Second round.—L. Goldman and Mrs. Woodward (8 and 25) v. D. S. Edward and Miss Curtin (4 and 19); Surg. Lt. Cdr. Nicholson and Miss Goodrich (9 and 13) v. Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Henry (18 and 23); K. R. Quick and Mrs. Challinor (24 and 28).

First round.—J. M. Tomlinson and Mrs. Mills (14 and 18) v. W. Woodward and Mrs. Goldman (15 and 28); Capt. and Mrs. K. E. Holmes (12 and 21) v. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (12 and scratch); Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lisaman (3 and 22) v. Major and Mrs. J. C. McDonald (12 and 10); G. R. Cairns and Mrs. Tate (12 and 24) v. L. R. Andrewes and Mrs. Whyte Smith (4 and 16); Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Guinness (24 and 19) v. Col. and Mrs. H. Blake (16 and 17); R. E. Challinor and Mrs. Skeet (24 and 35) v. Major J. W. Gaisford and Miss King (17 and 22).

Byes into Second round.—Col. and Mrs. J. F. King (7 and 19); Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Valentine (14 and 22) v. Mr. and Mrs. W. N. A. Smalley (12 and 18); Brig. and Mrs. A. B. Thomson (16 and 24) v. Dr. T. Newton and Mrs. Dovey (6 and 19).

The rounds to be played on (or by mutual arrangement before) the following dates:

First round, February 20; Second round, March 6; Third round, March 20; Semi-final, April 3; Final, April 18.

NORTHAMPTON SHARE SPOILS WITH CRYSTAL P.

London, To-day. — In the Third Division (South) of the English Football League, Northampton and Crystal Palace shared two goals on the former's ground. — Reuter.

STARTING TIMES FOR "FEAR" CUP

Starting times for the "Fear" Cup on Sunday next at the Kowloon Golf Club:

9.20 J. E. R. Humble, W. Bastin.
9.24 W. J. Woolley, H. F. Westlake.
9.28 E. O. Murphy, A. A. Lopes.
9.32 T. Henderson, W. Kershaw.
9.36 M. A. Cairns, W. Taylor.
9.40 A. J. Dennis, B. Basto.
9.44 E. W. Gardiner, F. C. Barry.
9.48 T. D. Paton, J. E. Smedley.

ODWELL'S CLEVER BOXING VICTORY

Craster Outpointed At Earl's Court

London, December 14. — Fighting the last two rounds with a nasty gash over the left eye, George Odwell, Camden Town welterweight, won a fine points victory over Harry Craster (Middlesbrough) in a 10 rounds contest at the National Sporting Club tournament at Earl's Court last night.

Odwell's straight punches connected so frequently that Craster, from the first round, was forced to box on the defensive.

Odwell's best punch came in the seventh round, when a short-arm clip landed on Craster's jaw. The Northerner recovered, and withstood all Odwell's two-handed attacks.

Odwell had a cut on the left eyelid in the eighth round, but he managed to keep Craster away and score points with clever punches.



GOLF STARTING TIMES

Sunday's Pairings For Fanling

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling Sunday, 6th February, 1938.

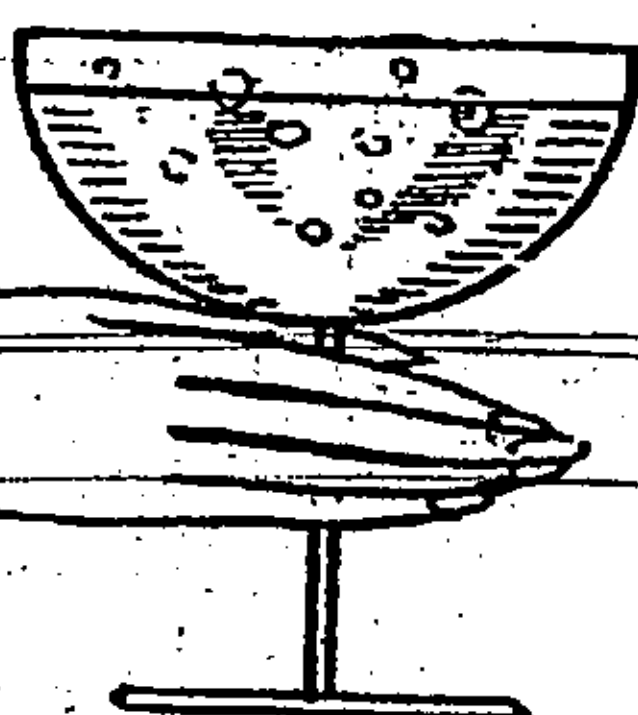
OLD COURSE

9.12 a.m. K. K. Rounds, W. Hewitt.
9.16 " J. E. Jupp, J. H. M. Andrew.
9.20 " F. A. Redmond, I. P. Tamworth.
9.24 " D. S. Robb, D. Forbes.
9.28 " A. Murdoch, H. C. Margrett.
9.32 " W. H. Way, F. A. M. Elliott.
9.36 " C. W. E. Bishop, W. Woodward.
9.40 " D. J. Gilmore, K. S. Morrison.
9.44 " A. Sommerfeldt, I. H. Geare.
9.48 " A. D. Humphreys, G. Castle.
9.52 " W. A. Stewart, W. Sharp.
9.56 " T. E. Pearce, H. S. Hills.
10.00 " J. R. Collis, R. Stock.
10.04 " L. Goldman, W. C. Farman.
10.08 " F. Groves, J. Stenersen.
10.12 " Capt. Holmes, G. H. Henry.
10.16 " D. Lyon, K. R. Quick.
10.20 " W. J. S. Key, A. B. Purves.
10.24 " T. Lindars, E. L. Groome.
10.28 " R. S. Johnson, Comdr. Hole.
10.32 " H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
10.36 " W. G. Robertson, A. V. Greaves.
10.40 " Col. Blake, D. W. MacEwen.
10.44 " A. W. Hodges, S. C. Feltham.
10.48 " A. M. Mack, J. B. H. Leckie.
10.52 " J. L. C. Pearce, J. S. Dunnett.

NEW COURSE

9.16 a.m. A. Morse, S. H. Dodwell.
9.20 " P. H. Scoones, R. K. Valentine.
9.28 " O. J. Shannon, H. H. Mundy.
9.32 " R. E. H. Nelson, A. C. I. Bowker.
9.40 " G. C. Worrall, L. M. S. Lloyd.
9.44 " A. Brostedt, B. Rolfe.
9.52 " Mrs. Humphreys, Mrs. Castle.
10.00 " Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Sharp.
10.08 " Mrs. Selby, Mrs. Goldman.
10.16 " Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Henry.
10.24 " T. Low, H. N. Williamson.
10.36 " Mrs. Overy, Mrs. Mackenzie.

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GREAT BRITAIN WILL MEET RUMANIA IN DAVIS CUP SERIES EUROPEAN & AMERICAN ZONE DRAWS MADE AUSTRALIA, INDIA AND JAPAN COMPETE AGAIN

Washington, To-day. THE UNITED STATES BEING THE HOLDERS OF THE DAVIS CUP TROPHY, WHICH THEY WON FROM GREAT BRITAIN LAST YEAR AT WIMBLEDON, THE DRAW FOR THE 1938 SERIES WAS MADE HERE YESTERDAY, GREAT BRITAIN MEETING RUMANIA IN THE BOTTOM HALF OF THE FIRST ROUND.

There are no really interesting encounters in the first-half, as the United States, as holders, do not enter the affray until the Challenge Round, when they will meet the winners of the Inter-Zone Final.



AUSTRALIAN CRICKETER FOR ENGLAND

J. G. Lush, the New South Wales player, has accepted the contract of Sir Julien Cahn to play in England. The contract is for three years, during which Lush will be employed on the journalistic staff of a Midland newspaper. He leaves for England in March, and will be married before his departure.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

EXHIBITION MATCHES

Saturday 19.2.38.
Corinthians vs. S.C.A.A.
Sunday 20.2.38.
Corinthians vs. United Services.
Saturday 26.2.38.
Corinthians vs. Civilians.
Sunday 27.2.38.
Corinthians vs. All Hong Kong.
All the matches will be played at Caroline Hill commencing each day at 4.00 p.m.
Prices of admission to reserved seats:
First and Last Match: Covered Stand and Pavilion \$3.00 Uncovered Stand \$2.20.
Second and Third Match: Covered Stand and Pavilion \$2.20 Uncovered Stand \$1.50.
Season Ticket (available for four matches) \$7.50.
Booking now open at:
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PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
Saturday, the 5th. February, 1938 commencing at 10.30 a.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell St.

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- 4 Pairs Rubber Boots.

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Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 4th. Feb., 1938.

After a great controversy which raged for some time, Australia has again decided to enter for the competition and has been drawn against Mexico, in the First Round of the American Zone, while Japan is also making a comeback after a year's absence, and will meet Canada, also in the American Zone.

Germany, who won the European Zone title last year, but who were eliminated by the United States in the Inter-Zone Final, will meet Norway in the Second Round, having been conceded a bye.

The full draw for the 1938 Davis Cup Competition is as follows:

EUROPEAN ZONE:

Byes Into 2nd Round (Top Half):
Germany v. Norway.
Hungary v. New Zealand.
Monaco v. winner of France v. Netherlands.

First Round:

France v. Netherlands.
Poland v. Denmark.
Ireland v. Italy.
Czechoslovakia v. Yugoslavia.
Great Britain v. Rumania.

Byes Into 2nd Round (Bottom Half):
Sweden v. Switzerland.
Greece v. Belgium.
Austria v. India.

AMERICAN ZONE:

First Round:

Japan v. Canada.
Mexico v. Australia.

SCHMELING REACHES HIS HOME AGAIN

Fight With Louis
Certain In June

Bremerhaven, December 23.

Max Schmeling arrived here this morning, accompanied by his trainer, Max Machon.

Schmeling, who is spending Christmas on his estate at Saarow, near Berlin, said that his fight with Joe Louis would certainly take place in June next year. "It is very improbable," he said, "that the fight will be in Germany, but the possibility should not be excluded altogether."

Early in January Schmeling will go to his training quarters near Hamburg to prepare for his fight with Ben Foord on January 30.

EIGHT-BALL OVER FOR NEW ZEALAND

Wellington (N.Z.), December 31.

The New Zealand Cricket Council has approved the use of the eight-ball over for first-class cricket in this country. New Zealand thus falls into line with Australia and South Africa.



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COURSE OF NINE PUBLIC LECTURES ON AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS.

Particular attention is invited to the following revised arrangements for the conclusion of this course.

Lecture No. 8, which was to be given on Monday, the 7th of February, 1938, is cancelled.

On that date the Medical Officer's house at the old Government Civil Hospital, which has been equipped as a model gas-proof and splinter-proof house, will be open to inspection by the public. A representative of the Royal Engineers will be in attendance at the house from 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

The concluding lecture of the course will be given by Colonel N.M.S. Irwin, D.S.O., M.C., G.S.O.I., China Command, on Monday, the 14th of February, 1938, at 5.30 p.m. in the China Fleet Club Theatre. The subject of the lecture will be air raid precautions in general.

All lecturers who have taken part in this course will be in attendance on this occasion for the purpose of answering questions arising out of the previous lectures. Questions should be sent in writing to the Extra Assistant Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office not later than Thursday, the 10th of February, 1938, but every endeavour will be made to deal with questions received after that date or sent up to the platform during the lecture.

Scheherazade By Rimsky-Korsakov: Stokowski

12 noon.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Ballads.
12.42 p.m.—London Palladium Orchestra.
Bells Across The Meadow (Ketelbey).
The Phantom Melody (Ketelbey).
Wedgewood Blue (Ketelbey).
In The Moonlight (Ketelbey).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal & Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Schubert—Duo For Piano And Violin In A Major, Op. 162. Played by Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.

Today's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. 845 k.c's :::: ZEK 640 k.c's

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—New Variety.
7.30 p.m.—Local Stock and Exchange Quotations.
7.35 p.m.—Mischa Elman (Violin). Zigeunerweisen (Sarasato, Op. 20). Piano accom. by Carroll Hollister.
7.43 p.m.—Debussy. Petite Suite. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Piero Coppola.
La Plus Que Lente—Waltz. Heifetz (Violin) piano accom. by Isidor Achron.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Merrie England—Dances (German).

(a) Hornpipe; (b) Minuet; (c) Rustic Dance; (d) Jig... Orchestre Raymond cond. by G. Walter.
8.10 p.m.—London Relay—'Food For Thought'. Three short talks on matters of topical interest.
8.30 p.m.—Orchestral Prologue to Studio—Rev. C. B. R. Sargent—27th series of opera: "Gems from Unfamiliar Operas".
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Rimsky-Korsakov—Scheherazade, Op. 35. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
10.40 p.m.—Russian Folk Songs and Other Music.
On the Volga River.
The Volga Boatman. Chorus.
Pas D'Action, Op. 52, No. 5 (Glazounov)... Chicago Symphony Orchestra cond. by Frederick Stock.
Russian Medley Of Folk Songs (Traditional—arr: Sorokin).
Gypsy Caravan (Traditional—arr: Sorokin)... Sorokin Russian Choir.
'Eugen Onegin'—Waltz (Tchaikovsky)... Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden cond. by Eugene Goossens.
11 p.m.—Close down.

GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.)
GSB 9.51 mc/s (31.55 m.)
G.M.T.
8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'At the Black Dog.'
8.45 a.m.—Recital of Welsh Songs and Duets.
9.05 a.m.—The Tom Jones Octet.
9.30 a.m.—'Cards on the Table.'
9.50 a.m.—Next Week's Programmes.
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—

GSJ 21.53 Mc/s (13.98 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)

10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'City of Music.'
11.45 a.m.—Recital by Keith Falkner (Baritone).
12.10 p.m.—'Food for Thought.'
12.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
1.20 p.m.—Next Week's Programmes.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. The BBC Empire Orchestra.
3.00 p.m.—'I've Been Told'... A talk by Anthony Weymouth.
3.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
3.40 p.m.—'More Songs from Here and There.'
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—Next Week's Programmes.
4.30 p.m.—'Virtue in Dreams' A play.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Psychic Overcalls

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: I am sending you a hand which doesn't illustrate a thing except the fallibility of probability and the strain to which a hand of bridge, without being spectacular, can subject the air of easy friendliness that should pervade a Victorian Vermont living room where a few rubbers are being played at a fortieth of a cent a point.

NORTH

S.—A 10 7 3
H.—K Q 10 8 7
D.—J
C.—J 6 3

WEST

S.—9
H.—A J 9 6 5
D.—A Q 9 2
C.—A Q 7

EAST

S.—J 8 6 5 4 2
H.—None
D.—6 5 4 3
C.—8 4 2

NORTH

S.—K Q
H.—4 3 2
D.—K 10 8 7
C.—K 10 9 5

"North and South were vulnerable. North dealt and opened with one heart. (This, I warn you, is a thoroughly immoral tale: the protagonists of evil, in the form of bad bidding, come to a good end, temporarily. In a sequel I may be able to show that pride went before a terrific fall.) After all, North figured, he had both majors, a singleton, and a \$2 ticket to win on Grandpa's Boy, which had come in that afternoon at Suffolk Downs for \$19.20.

"East, who had a bad cold and who gets, I think, a keener emotional thrill from a psychic bid than she has had from anything connected with cards since she last played military whist, bid 'wud spade.'

"South, myself, both victor and villain of the piece, strongly suspecting East's bid, but not my partner's, bid two no trump.

"West, a charming Christian woman ordinarily, who becomes a reincarnation of Becky Sharp the minute she sits down to a bridge table, passed with a piteous sigh no trump.

that purported to disclose her bitter regret at holding worthless cards in a crisis.

"North, partly because he was born that way and partly because he remembered that he'd forgotten to bring in the lawn chairs, bid three no trump.

"West at this point took off her mask and, with a very ungenteled leer, doubled. Rightly disregarding her partner's bid, she opened with the two of diamonds. By playing East for a complete bust, a blank in hearts, and six or seven spades to the jack, I made three no trump. I think I am right in saying that North and South can make three no trump on the hands against any defence.

"Soon after that West, the hostess, back in character, gave us some sandwiches and fudge cake with whipped cream and iced coffee, and we all agreed that we must play again soon.

"Yours truly,

"C. B., Montpelier, Vt."

My correspondent's sprightly comments need no elaboration. It must have been quite a shock to Becky Sharp (reincarnated) for the opponents to have romped home with their three no trump contract against her comparative powerhouse and her partner's spade bid. On the face of it West had at least five taking tricks, but the trouble was that she couldn't get rid of the lead often enough to cash them in. The moral, if any, is that psychic overcalls, such as East's, rarely come to a good end.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Please advise the correct call for South at point indicated below. The bidding was:

North East South West
1 heart Pass 1 no trump Pass
2 no trump Pass ?
South's hand:

S.—K 5 2, H.—Q 8 6, D.—J 6 3,
C.—Q 10 4 2.

Answer: South should bid three

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

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AT THE KING'S—"Charlie Chan at Monte Carlo". Another of Warner Oland's production and supported by Keye Luke and Virginia Field with the background of the great gambling resort.

AT THE STAR—"Angel"—Can a good woman love two men at the same time? A fascinating, devastating "Angel", brought to life by glamorous Marlene Dietrich both presents the problem and supplies the surprising answer. The all-star cast includes Marlene Dietrich, Herbert Marshall, Melvyn Douglas, Edward Everett Horton and Herbert Mundin.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"On The Avenue"—Irving Berlin's latest. A New York real life romance set to music. With Dick Powell, Madeleine Carroll, Alice Faye, Ritz Brothers, George Barbier, Alan Mowbray, Cora Witherspoon, Stepin Fetchit and Sig Rumann.

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AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 5th to FRIDAY, the 18th February, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th January, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of shareholders will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY, 1938, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1937.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 5th. FEBRUARY to THURSDAY, 17th. FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 2nd. February, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th February, 1938, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 3rd February, 1938, to Thursday, the 10th February, 1938, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th January, 1938.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurement.				Contents in ft. sq.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			N	S	E	W			
1		Repulse Bay, Road.					about	\$	\$
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
			As per sale plan.				20,000	250	4,000



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 7th day of February, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Fuk Lo Tsun Road, Kowloon City in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurement.				Contents in ft. sq.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			N	S	E	W			
2		New Kowloon Island, Lot No. 3507.					about	\$	\$
		Adjoining New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2294, Pok Lo Tsun Road, Kowloon City.							
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
			As per sale plan.				2,257	25	1,500

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CHINESE ADMIT ABANDONMENT OF PENGPU

Hankow, To-day.

After several days of heavy fighting, which culminated in intensive bombardment of the Chinese positions by the Japanese on Wednesday night, the Chinese, it is now admitted here, have abandoned Pengpu and have retired to the chain of lakes in the rear.

The Japanese have thus reached the strongly fortified Chinese main line of defence, which is supported by natural obstacles of terrain.

Fate of that section of the T.P.R. still in Chinese hands, and the eastern sector of the Lunghai Railway, will thus be decided by the degree of resistance which the Chinese are able to offer on the new front.

The Chinese and Japanese have both reinforced their troops by a number of fresh divisions.

JAPANESE PREPARED FOR LOSSES

Military quarters in Hankow believe that the Japanese will give their men a brief respite after the violent offensives of the

Japanese National Mobilisation Bill

Tokyo, To-day.

During the debate on the Budget in the House of Representatives last night, the Premier gave notice that the Government is submitting the National Mobilisation Bill. He added that he expected the Diet to approve the measure, which was being drafted by the legislative bureau.

Japan, with its large population, declared the War Minister, need not worry over re-enlistment of the necessary conscripts, while the bill amending the military service law would efficiently meet the new international situation.

Mere revision of the military service law was insufficient for a war of the future. Placing the nation on a war footing was necessary for such a purpose and in this sense the necessity for national mobilisation was keenly felt. — Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

Full support of the National Mobilisation Bill now being discussed for presentation to the Diet, is announced after a meeting of par-

last few days, and that they are prepared to suffer heavy losses in order to bring the action to a successful issue since control of the T. P. R. would greatly facilitate Japanese troop movements. — Trans-Ocean.

liamentary members of the reactionary Tohokai Party.

Anticipating the present emergency, the Party statement said that members advocated "bulwarking the State by means of planned economy under which all national resources should be linked up effectively to meet contingencies."

The statement urged the Government to present the bill for national mobilisation in the present session of the Diet, "paying no heed to objections raised by party circles."

The controversial bill is expected to be presented to parliamentarians for approval some time next week.

Even if approved, the bill is not expected to be invoked during the current China incident, however.

Government leaders point out that they are following a "strictly constitutional path" in seeking passage of the measure by the Diet instead of imposing it by means of an emergency ordinance.

It is made plain that the Government is determined to secure passage of the bill whatever the opposition. — Reuter.

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fire, but no bombs were dropped on the city.

PLANE BROUGHT DOWN

A Chinese source states that one Japanese plane was brought down at Tungkawan.

It is generally assumed that anticipation of intensification of Japanese aerial activities in South China was the reason for yesterday's notification to shipping, in which connection the wildest rumours circulated in the city all night.

Martial law continues and to-day all cars entering Canton are being stopped and searched by soldiers.

River steamers left at the usual time this morning but on reaching the barrier were refused passage. All the vessels returned to Canton.

A foreign gunboat stood by at the barrier and communicated news to Canton.

The city is thoroughly excited over the developments of the past 24 hours. — Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese naval spokesman announced this morning that Japanese planes subjected highways and railways leading to Canton to heavy bombing.

Japanese planes also bombed military headquarters at Amoy. — Reuter.

POPULAR FALLACIES

That there is no tide in the Mediterranean Sea.

This is not so.

There is a tide, though it is considerably less than in the Atlantic Ocean. Near Venice it amounts to 3 ft., but off the island of Zante the rise is only 9 inches. It is true, however, that the Office of Appliance Co., Ltd. is now taking steps to expand and reorganize their repair department in order to be able to offer a service hitherto unprecedented in this town.

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